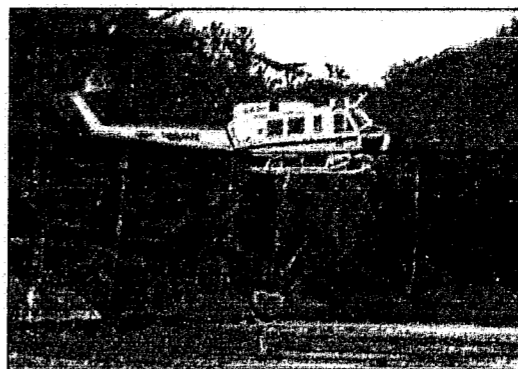




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Voting law changes get mixed reaction in Bethel-area town offices

By ALISON ALOISIO

A new Maine law eliminates voter registration on Election Day and during the two business days before.

It also prevents the issuing of absentee ballots after the third business day before Election Day.

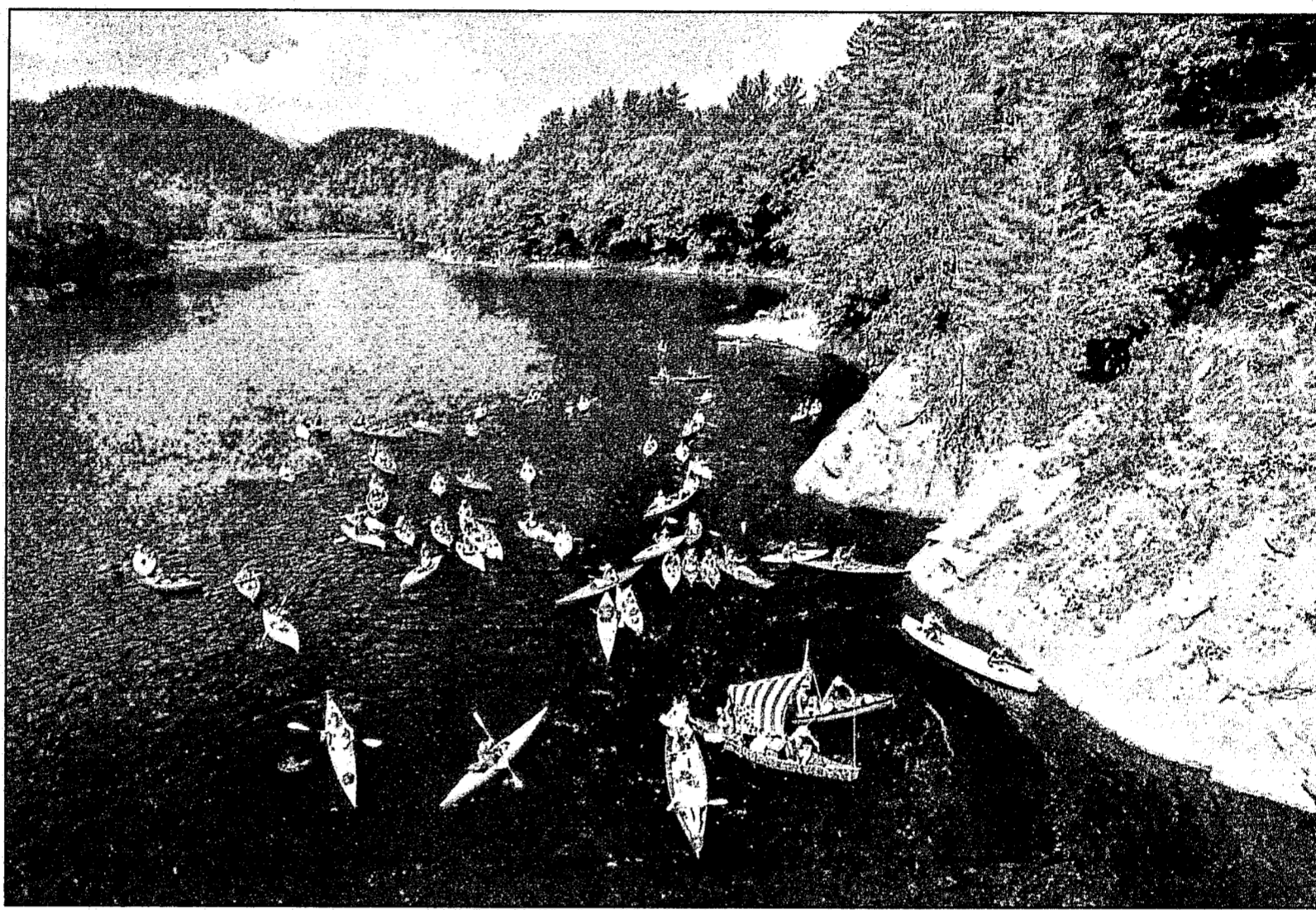
Until now Election-Day registration was allowed, and absentee ballots could be issued in the days before.

Supporters of the new law cited voter fraud and the clerical burden on town clerks as reasons for the changes.

Opponents say the change will make voting more difficult for some people, such as senior citizens and people with full-time jobs, because they would have to go to the

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Fourth Flotilla unfurls America's Main Sail



Over the past six years the Rooster's Roadhouse River Float, held on or near the Fourth of July has grown from six watercraft to nearly 60. Here, a handmade American Flag is unfurled, shortly after the flotilla set off Monday from the boat launch in Gilead. The restaurant is closed for the trip, and afterward sponsors a chicken barbecue for employees, customers and friends. This year the barbecue, followed by a DJ and dancing, raised more than \$1,200 to be put toward the restaurant's annual contributions to 'Christmas for Families' and 'Christmas for Children.' Monday's flag, handmade by the parents of Rick Allen of Greenwood, commemorates victims of 9/11.

(Photo: M. Daniels)

These cliffs are made for climbing

By ALISON ALOISIO

Square Dock cliff in Albany.
The Androscoggin cliffs in Bethel.
Payne's Ledge on Twitchell Pond in Greenwood.

Many area residents may be familiar with the cliffs, perhaps without even knowing the names.

Most likely do not realize that these spots, and many others around Bethel, have for decades drawn rock climbers to the region.

"It's amazing that we have such really good rock to climb on," said Bob Baribeau of Bethel.

Baribeau is a long-time climber and a member of Mahosuc Mountain Rescue.

Many of the cliffs in western Maine are pegmatite rock that he describes as "heavily featured, with horizontal and vertical cracks."

The surface of the heavily featured rock is rougher compared to, for example, the smoother, more polished cliffs in the Conway, N. H. area.

The history of climbing in this area goes back to the 1930s, when climbers from the Appalachian Mountain Club scaled the Androscoggin Cliffs off the North Road.

Evidence of their presence is still visible today.

Rusted iron pitons (spikes wedged into rock cracks to anchor safety ropes) are still visible, said Baribeau, as well as pieces of old manila rope.

In the 1960s, Baribeau said, military climbers in Army training "could see the outcrops over by the North Road," and they honed

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Bethel Historical Society opens White Mountains art exhibition

By ALISON ALOISIO

A new art exhibit at the Bethel Historical Society entitled "Glorious Ridges and Princely Peaks: Artistic Visions of the White Mountains" features scenic vistas from both sides of the Maine-New Hampshire border.

More than two dozen 19th- and 20th-century paintings from private collections are on display in the Moses Mason House. Bethel-area views entitled "Into New Hampshire (Artist's Curve, Gil-

ead, Maine)," "Alder River Bridge and Mountains, Bethel," "Pickett Henry Mountain and Mt. Will from Sunday River Valley," mounts Moriah, Adams and Madison from Hastings Island, Bethel," and "Mayville and Saddleback (Baldpate) from Bethel Hill" are among them.

"Into New Hampshire" was painted by Louis Mayer, likely in the 1920s. A native of Wisconsin, his work also included sculptures of historical figures. "Pickett" was

painted by an artist named Walter Clark in 1953. The other two area scenes were painted by unknown artists.

Other Maine views of the Whites were painted in the Lovell and Fryeburg areas. The balance of the works portray New Hampshire views, among them Mt. Chocorua, the Old Man of the Mountain, Evans and Franconia notches, Presidential views and the signal station at the top of Mt. Washington.

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Scott Parker makes his case against Cole's accusations of database misuse

By TERRY KARKOS, Sun Media Wire

Scott Parker of Bethel finally got a chance on Thursday to respond in public to allegations that he misused Oxford County E-911 database information from FairPoint for a mass-notification system.

The county's Emergency Management Agency director of six years said he's done nothing illegal, an assertion bolstered by District Attorney Norm Croteau.

"I have not been charged in writing or verbally with any violation of county policy or state law, yet I have been put on administrative leave for 26 days," Parker said to commissioners, Sheriff Wayne Gallant, and County Administrator (and former Bethel Town Manager) Scott Cole.

Parker is accused of sharing confidential FairPoint lists of names, addresses and phone

numbers — whether unlisted or not — with public safety officials in five towns.

That was as far as he got with training sessions on May 25 before Gallant ordered him to stop, stay away from town offices, leave distributed E-911 database information in place, and refrain from handling printed database information stored within the county EMA office in Paris.

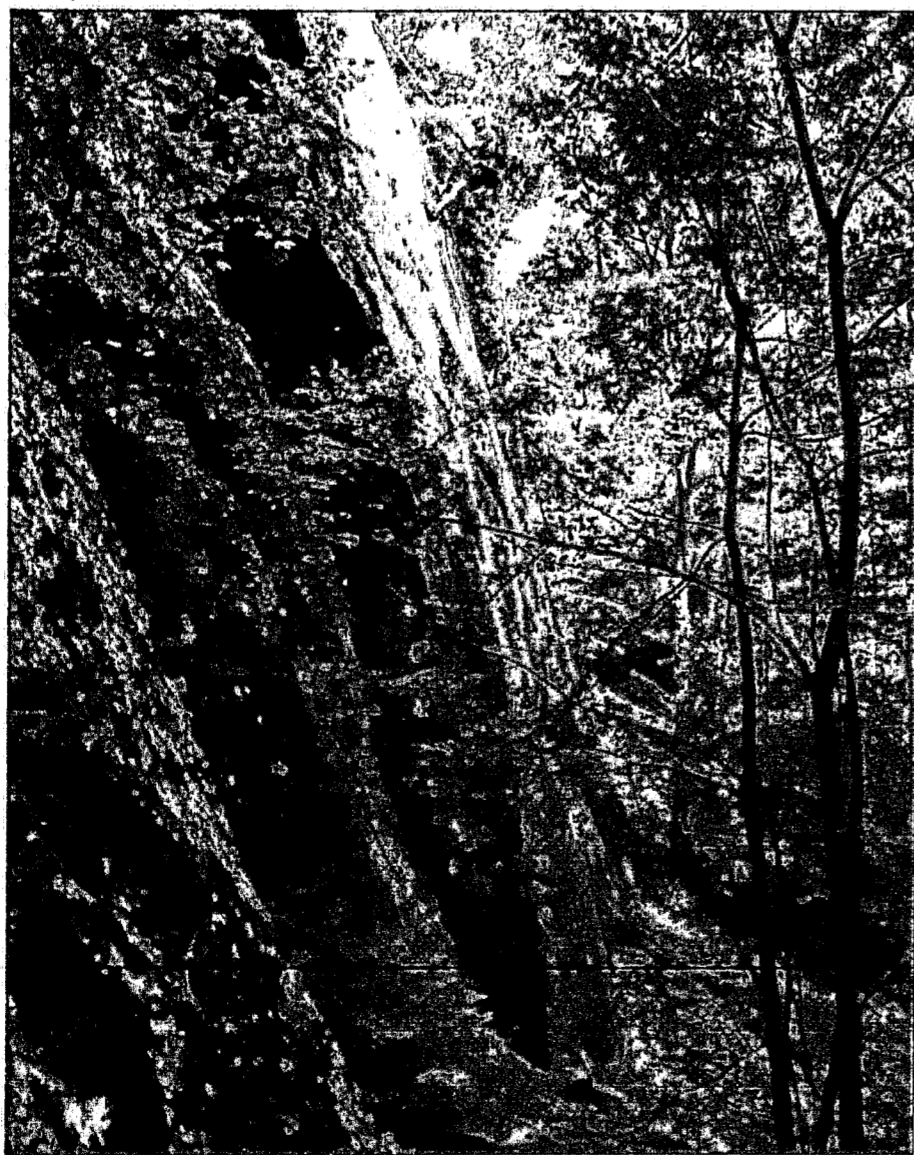
Deputies seized information from all 36 county towns and database information Parker distributed to Brownfield, Paris, Canton, Newry and Greenwood.

In two executive sessions

last month, Cole pressed commissioners to fire Parker, saying he didn't heed Gallant's instructions or that of his staff, who told Parker that printing and sharing the information is illegal.

Parker and his lawyer Daniel L. Cummings contend it isn't illegal, because Parker as the county EMA director is mandated by Maine law Title

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GREAT
CLIMBING,
CLOSE
TO HOME

Climber Bob Baribeau rappels down a 60-foot drop on the Androscoggin Cliffs, located next to the North Road in Bethel. Baribeau said climbers from the Appalachian Mountain Club scaled the cliffs and large boulders in the area as early as the 1930s. The granite rock formations provide good features for climbers, he said.

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Letters

ROCK ON HOWARD POND ROAD

To the Editor:

My husband and I attended the Selectman's meeting on Tuesday the 21st of June in Hanover. One item on the agenda was a citizen's concern about a large rock adjacent to Howard Pond Road. During the discussion "Ms. L", representing the complainant landowners, stated that Hanover residents are more concerned about the preservation of a rock than the safety of the homeowners who built a new vacation home/camp adjacent to "the rock" after owning a camp on this property for more than 20 years.

We first discovered Howard Pond in 1990 and immediately fell in love with this little known and attractive gem in the foothills of the White Mountains. We felt comfortable because all local residents with whom we came in contact welcomed us without reservation although we were "flatlanders." Several years later we purchased land and subsequently built a vacation winterized camp. A few more camps have been built, bringing revenue to the town and helping the local economy. We have noted that residents of the pond keep their dwellings attractive, blending them into the natural setting.

The residents of Hanover have demonstrated a most gracious welcome and will assist anyone at the drop of a hat, including those who do not live here permanently. They have adapted to the changes and modernizations of some "camps," their new driveways and loss of trees that come with new structures. Howard Pond Road has been here for many years, including "the rock." No one has objected to its location until a new vacation home was built. Could we not reconsider the environment around the pond? Could we not all come together and have an adult discussion on how to enhance "the rock" and promote the safest access and exit to the house in a sensible manner without disturbing this natural wonder?

Local residents have coexisted with logging trucks clogging the road, making it dangerous especially during the winter; we have waited patiently for cement, oil, and septic trucks in narrow places on the road, and there are places where cars park because there are no driveways or limited access to parking. We deal with these things because we are all here for the same reason, to enjoy the peace and serenity of the pond. One resident upon adding a driveway, place a mirror next to his exit to enhance his visibility without disturbing the natural setting. Remember, the posted speed limit around Howard Pond is 20 mph; this includes bicycles, motorcycles, cars, trucks and logging vehicles.

There are clearly other alternatives to deal with the rock issue. In our world today where we are involved with wars, families are losing their homes, people are jobless, floods and fires are rampant; isn't it more important to come together to solve this issue in a civilized manner, accept the outcome, and not divide our community?

Previously "the rock" was part of the landscape; now it is starkly isolated. It stands alone and seems out of place. A little greenery, shrubbery and flowers will do the trick, not paint on the rock, yellow "Do not trespass" tape, or Frankenstein statues. Let us all come together and make this community whole again.

Barbara Robinson
Hanover

ART FAIR THANKS

To the Editor:

The Mahoosuc Arts Council's Art Fair last weekend brought sunny skies together with the beautiful arts of 64 fine artists and artisan crafters, talented live entertainment, 13 artists who painted chairs for the 8th ARTirondack Auction and great local food. The success of this event is evidence of a lot of time and energy put in by volunteers and the support of donors and sponsors who recognize the value of the arts in our community.

Thank you to the Mahoosuc Arts Council Board of Directors. When "all hands on deck" are called, they jump to action. Thanks to our honor figure Jewel Clark for her permission to celebrate her artistic impact on the community and the use of her painting image for the poster art. Thanks to Irina Kahn for taking on the big task of providing qualified judging of the art show.

Thanks to our sponsors who supported artist awards and entertainment: Dream Realty, Norway Savings Bank, the town of Bethel, the River View Resort, Doug Zinchuk and Sons Roofing, Isabella's Café & Bakery, the Good Food Store, Smith and Town Printers, Pine Tree Waste and Creative Media.

A huge thanks go to the artists who painted the ARTirondack chairs: Jewel Clark, Conni St. Pierre, Suzanne Hardy, Susan Mallory, Aislinn Forbes, Chris Davies, Kelly Butler, Lindsay Herman, the council's Chair Tera Ingraham, board member Ahsley Oliver, board Treasurer Tory Jordan, Joe Finn and Gary Polonski. Thanks to Auctioneer Dan Allen and to Reggie Brown for making the chairs. A lot of thanks are owed to the council's Vice Chair Helen Davies who spent countless hours pulling it all together and to ARTirondack sponsors: Brooks Brothers Hardware, the Jolly Drayman, Doug Zinchuk and Sons Roofing, The Bethel Inn, Philbrook Place and Elements Art Gallery and the Sudbury Inn.

Arts events like this fair are not only important in supporting the arts and making a positive quality of place impact, they are also vital to the local economy by supporting artists, stores, restaurants, inns and other businesses.

Many thanks to all who helped to make this day a success.

Aranka Matolcsy
Executive Director, Mahoosuc Arts Council, Bethel

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CAN YOU IMAGINE BETHEL WITHOUT THE EXCHANGE?

To the Editor:

It is difficult to imagine the Bethel area with no used clothing, without a place to get inexpensive shoes or a winter jacket. Imagine the Bethel area with no place to donate used clothing. Can you imagine the Bethel area without the District Exchange?

The fact is that at the end of the summer you won't need to imagine anymore. On July 13, if no space is found for the District Exchange, plans will begin to phase out the clothing aspects of the District Exchange by the end of the summer and twenty years of community service just ends.

Surely someone can find a 5,000 square foot space with a bathroom and parking that would be available in return for a contribution toward the cost of utilities. Surely someone understands that the District Exchange funds a large part of our Food Pantry budget and that the District Exchange clothes many families in our community. Can you, can we, can anyone allow the District Exchange to close?

The Food Pantry will be moving to the Nazarene Church and those services will continue. Unfortunately, the space in the Methodist Church Annex has serious renovation needs and will not be a possibility.

Please contact any of us if you can help.

Maryvonne Wheeler (836-2330); Cathy Newell (875-2116); Dave Bean (890-4022)

MOLLYCKETT DAY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

To the Editor:

Calling all community minded individuals who might like to join the Mollyckett Days "team"! The Bethel Area Chamber is seeking volunteers to help with any of a variety of duties including preparing and selling lobster rolls, selling Mollyckett Day souvenirs and raffle tickets, helping patrol the Common, being a road guard for the Mollyckett Day road races, and helping with our "new" tubing and treasure scavenger hunt! We reward our volunteers, too! For four hours of time given to the event, each volunteer will receive a commemorative Mollyckett Day t-shirt and a complimentary lobster roll. If you have interest in helping, please contact the chamber office at 824-2282.

Additionally, we are still seeking monetary donations for the Mollyckett Days fireworks. No amount is too large or too small. Long gone are the days when we can expect that one or two businesses have the resources to make these kinds of events possible. All of us enjoy the fireworks - so please consider sending a donation to Fireworks Fund, c/o Bethel Area Chamber, PO Box 1247, Bethel, ME 04217.

Robin Zinchuk

For the Mollyckett Day Task Force

SEATBELT GRANT UPDATE

To the Editor:

The Oxford County Sheriff's Office has released the following statistical data resulting from a Maine Bureau of Highway Seatbelt Grant that was awarded on May 23 running through June 5.

Based on the below numbers, Project Director, Deputy George Cayer said, "These numbers show the need for such enforcement activities. We are very pleased to participate in these grants as it allows for deputies to focus on specific traffic enforcement (i.e. non-seatbelt use). Oxford County is a very large area, bordering five other counties, 100-plus miles of New Hampshire border and several miles of Canadian border. Deputies travel on the average over 200 miles a shift handling calls and sometimes have a difficult time finding the time for "focused" traffic enforcement.

Operating - (Under the Influence 2 Arrests)
Speeding - (3 Summonses and 8 Warnings)
Seat Belt - (29 Summonses and 7 Warnings for Improper Use)
Operating After Suspension - (2 Offenses)
Uninsured Motorist - (3 Offenses)
Other Violations - (15 Offenses)
Total Number of Vehicles Stopped - 53

The grants allow us to focus on specific violations and because we are on this grant we are not responsible to handle calls unless it is an emergency. As part of this activity we are just trying to do our part to educate the motorist of the state of Maine to "Buckle Up." This strategy is all part of a national campaign that has shown that strict enforcement activity helps reduce the human and economic losses associated with non-seatbelt use.

The Sheriff's Office has applied for an additional grant called "Impaired Driving Enforcement" that will start on July 1 and run through Sept. 5. This grant will allow deputies to focus on OUI enforcement. Deputy Cayer states, "This grant has been around for years and has made a significant impact on the numbers of OUI cases over the last two decades." "I recall that back in the 1980s the numbers were extremely high, sometimes one officer arresting 4 OUIs on a weekend night." "It is my belief that the number of OUI arrests we have made over the years we have saved several lives." We look forward to participating in this grant if awarded; we have one location that needs specific attention as deputies have arrested 22 subjects for OUI since the first of this year.

George Cayer

Deputy Sheriff, Oxford County Sheriff's Office

Parker

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37-B to prepare all towns and the county for natural and manmade hazards.

But Gallant shared concerns on Thursday night that statutorily confidential information had been unlawfully placed in public domain.

He expressed fears that his deputies' and law enforcement officers' unlisted phone numbers, and those of domestic violence victims and people who've taken out protection orders, would be accessed by people intent on doing them harm.

The database was being used for CityWatch, a new mass-notification system designed to warn residents in harms way of impending danger with one phone call instead of sending police and firefighters knocking on doors.

On Thursday, Parker requested and was granted the public session.

After listening to Cole's summation of the background and his reasons for firing Parker, and testimony from Gallant, Parker's EMA staff, and James Miclon, director of the county's 911 Communications Center, the embattled EMA director read a prepared statement.

It was directed at Cole, Gallant, Commissioners David

Duguay, Caldwell Jackson and Steven Merrill, and Bryan Dench, the commissioner's lawyer, who ran the session like a court hearing.

Based on data he's collected during the past five years, Parker said he determined the county needed a mass-notification system.

Commissioners granted him permission to pursue and apply for a grant to acquire the system at no cost to county residents.

He said he chose CityWatch because of its effectiveness in Cumberland County, which has been using it for four years.

When informed by his staff that the process for which he was using FairPoint's database information might be illegal, Parker said he contacted FairPoint.

A FairPoint official, he said, consented to his proposed use in writing. Since then, other FairPoint officials have backed off on the consent.

"Once three members of the towns (out of the fire chief, police chief, local EMA, town clerk, and selectmen) have been trained and have a password to access CityWatch, they can see the complete town database, but for their towns only," Parker said.

He said it's the same database printed and disseminated to the five county towns.

On May 26, he said Sheriff Gallant contacted him and said he might be violating the law, so Parker said he returned to his office and turned off the CityWatch program.

Parker said Cole, who has no authority over the EMA director, then ordered him to turn in his office access keys and cell phone, not to enter the building unless invited, and to have no contact with his staff.

He cooperated with the investigation.

"This was an informal investigation," Parker said. "No one was 'read their rights.'"

On June 1, the investigation results were sent to District Attorney Croteau, who subsequently concluded in a June 6 letter that there was no intent to commit a crime.

Therefore, no charges would be filed against Parker.

"There is no indication that any of the database information has been used for any improper purpose," Croteau wrote.

Commissioners, however, postponed their decision until Monday, July 11, to review Thursday night's testimony.

Our Back Pages

Compiled by Danna Brown Nickerson

10 years ago: Bethel Lodge 97 held its annual steak supper and meeting, and 50-year pins were presented to Bob Davis, Bob Keniston, Mike Brown, and Harry Muzyk. Steve Hastings received his 25-year pin.

Marion Bodwell celebrated her 100th birthday.

The Bethel Art Fair drew a fine crowd until afternoon thundershowers sent many running for cover.

Births: Logan Lewis Whitney, Juleigha O'Ryan Taylor, Taylor Morgan Pingree, Isaac Clarence Bailey, Michael James Smith.

Deaths: Wallace A. Stevens, Mildred M. Carrier.

20 years ago: Bethel Police Chief Dale Bellman was recovering from triple by-pass surgery following a serious heart attack.

Herman Howard and Gary Gray were completing work on a vault to hold old Woodstock town records.

The Korhonen farm in West Bethel and Hi-Vu Farm in Woodstock participated in "Take Pride in Agriculture Farm Day."

Births: Brian Corey Annis, Michael David Farnum, Hilary Marie Taylor, Abbey Storm Gardner, Sarah Dawn Faulkingham.

Deaths: John H. Currier, Alanson R. Cummings.

30 years ago: Long-time Gould Academy employee Linwood Lowell was honored at a retirement dinner held at Gehring Hall.

Karen Smith of Auburn was named the new lead instructor of the Bethel Area Swimming Program.

Amanda Gilbert won the doll carriage category, and Dustin Sysko the bike class in the summer playground parade at Crescent Park School.

Births: Cody Haywood Tremblay, Jennifer Lynn Walker, Nathan Heywood Ruell, Ian Ramsey Remington.

Deaths: Kenneth U. Bartlett, Joseph Zale.

40 years ago: Miss Carol Stuart and Mrs. Linda Torrey were instructors in the Summer Reading Program underway at Crescent Park School: District Forest Ranger Wilbur A. Libby of West Paris was honored on his retirement. He began his state service as a forest watchman in 1939.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wight, Newry, entertained 84 relatives and friends at their annual 4th of July picnic.

Birth: Linda Jean Gonzalez. **Deaths:** L. Werner "Tin" Littlehale, Mrs. Leophille B. Shade, Donald H. Tebbets, Mrs. Myrtle Richardson.

50 years ago: The Bethel area was without power for three hours after lightning struck the power line near Merrifield Hill in Woodstock.

The Department of the Army announced the promotion of James Dyce Alger to Major General.

Deaths: John Harris, Bruce Campbell, Allen Rice, Leroy W. Hamlin, Harold G. Bennett.

60 years ago: Robert Greenleaf was tutoring in English and History for eight weeks at Camp Wassookeag in Dexter.

Haying in central and southern Maine was hampered by frequent showers.

Selectmen appointed George L. Taylor as Director of Civil Defense and Public Safety for the Town of Bethel.

Deaths: Mrs. Annie B. Kimball, Mrs. Sarah Patch.

70 years ago: Twenty-eight Rumford and Mexico residents were among the 36 who lost their lives when the cabin cruiser "Don" sank on a trip from Harpswell to Monhegan.

Deaths: J. Herbert Carter, Fred Warrington Bartlett, Raynor H. Farnum, Miss Doris Hadley.

80 years ago: Announcement was made of the cast of characters for the pageant to be presented at the celebration on Aug. 3 commemorating the last Indian raid in Bethel in 1781.

90 years ago: Forty men were signed up for the Headquarters Battalion Company at Bethel.

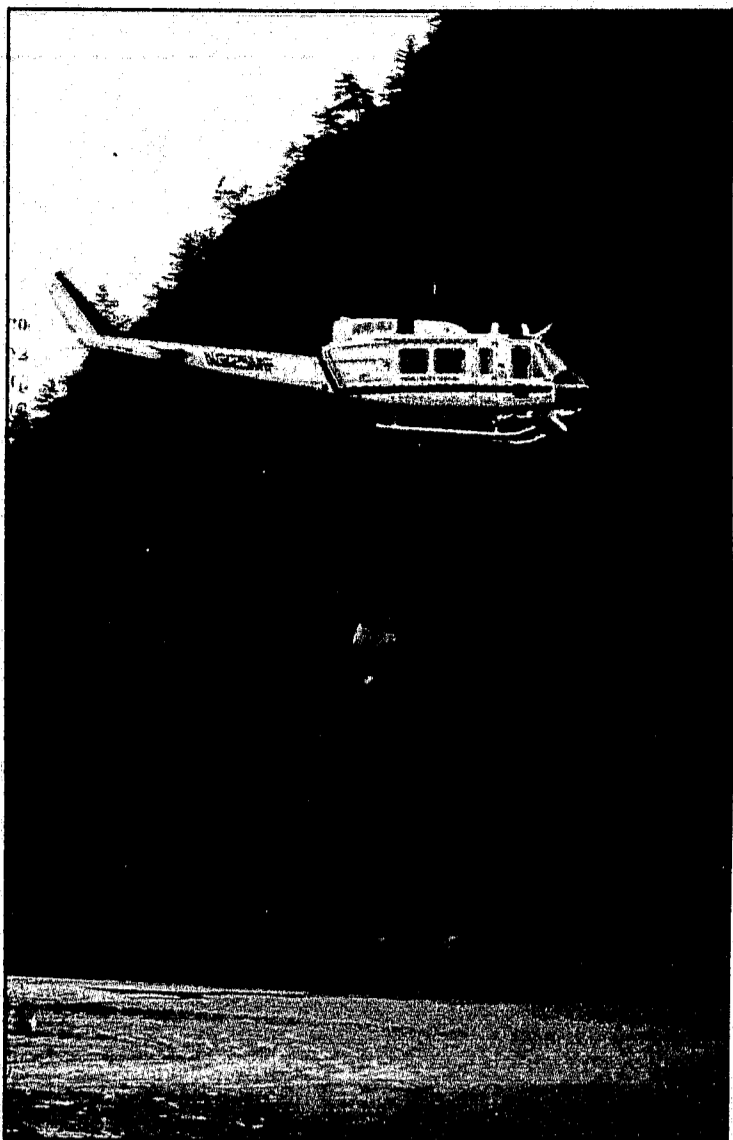
100 years ago: Gould Academy Headmaster Frank Haiscom and wife Ella attended the Bates College commencement.

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LIGHTNING FIRE ON A STEEP SLOPE—Lightning struck two large trees Monday afternoon on the side of Walkers Mountain in East Bethel, starting a fire. Firefighters had a difficult one-mile hike to the scene from the Taylor Smith Road, and were unable to even get an ATV to the site, said Bethel Chief Mike Jodrey. Around 7 p.m. a helicopter from the Maine Warden Service was called in to carry water from nearby Goss Pond. Here, at dusk, the chopper climbs from the pond with 300 gallons of water. (The fire was on the slope at bottom left, just outside the picture frame.) The water drops continued until dark, when all personnel had to quit for the night. Firefighters had managed to clear an area around the smoldering trees to prevent fire from spreading. They returned Tuesday morning for three hours to finish the job. Firefighters from Greenwood and Woodstock also fought the blaze or provided support. "The lightning blew the top off a 40-inch diameter pine tree 25 feet up," said Jodrey. The old tree, hollow in the middle, acted like a chimney conducting smoke and fire until it was cut up, he said. The fire, on a 40-degree slope, was one of the more difficult forest fires the BFD has fought, said Jodrey.

(Photo: A. Aloisio)

Climbers

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skills on the same cliffs. Also using the cliffs in that era were special forces units based at the Brunswick Naval Air Station, he said. Today, recreational climbers come from other parts of northern New England to scale the many cliffs in the area. They distribute hand-drawn maps to each other to outline routes that bear names such as "Anesthesia," "Jack Be Nimble," "Forehead," "Amphitheater," and "Stench of Death," and to grade each according to difficulty. Individual routes can vary from 50 to 200 feet in height. Baribeau estimates the Bethel area climbing community numbers between 40 and 60. "But since it's not a sport organized locally into clubs, it's hard to know for sure, he said. "I'll go out and see people from Bethel and Newry who have been climbing for years, and I had never seen them before," he said. Other climbing spots in the region include Bucks Ledge in Woodstock and Hawk and Bear mountains in Waterford. Today's climbers fall into two general categories: traditionalists like Baribeau, and sport climbers. Traditionalists typically focus on the adventure of climbing and the quiet and solitude of nature. They also take a

"leave no trace" approach, removing most evidence of their climbs.

Sport climbers, he said, are often younger, enjoy the social aspect of the activity and may leave a notice of their passing with bolts (now more commonly used than pitons) drilled into the rock.

They are also more likely to use bolts regularly, rather than natural cracks in the cliffs.

It's common, said Baribeau, for sport climbers to first repel down from the top of a cliff to drill bolts into the rock, then climb up from the bottom.

Traditional climbers typically work from the ground up.

An example of a popular sport climbing location is Shagg Crag in Woodstock, he said.

Many younger climbers have learned the basic skills at rock gyms.

"It's a different approach," said Baribeau.

Most rock climbers in this region are in the traditionalist camp, he said.

"Shagg is a sport-climbing area in the middle of a traditionalist area," he said.

But regardless of philosophy, said Baribeau, the Bethel area is "a perfect area to learn. There are beginner, moderate and difficult climbs."

Briefly

Akers Ski donates to AES effort

ANDOVER—Andover's effort to fund its elementary school next year got a boost last week when the group received a donation from a long-standing local business. The Save/Recreate Andover Elementary School committee received a donation from Leon Akers of Akers Ski Co. Akers presented Susan Merrow, group representative and chair of the selectboard, with a check for \$5,000. AES had been slated for closure when the SAD 44 School Board voted in May to close the school. A referendum vote in Andover in June resulted in a decision to keep the school open and to raise \$214,600 for the 2011-12 school year. "To me, the Andover Elementary School is a part of this community," Akers said. "This is not a community without this school. There is so much that goes on at that school. It is a true community center. It is more than just a building. It holds the community's spirit." For more information on the effort, contact the Andover Town Office at 392-3302.

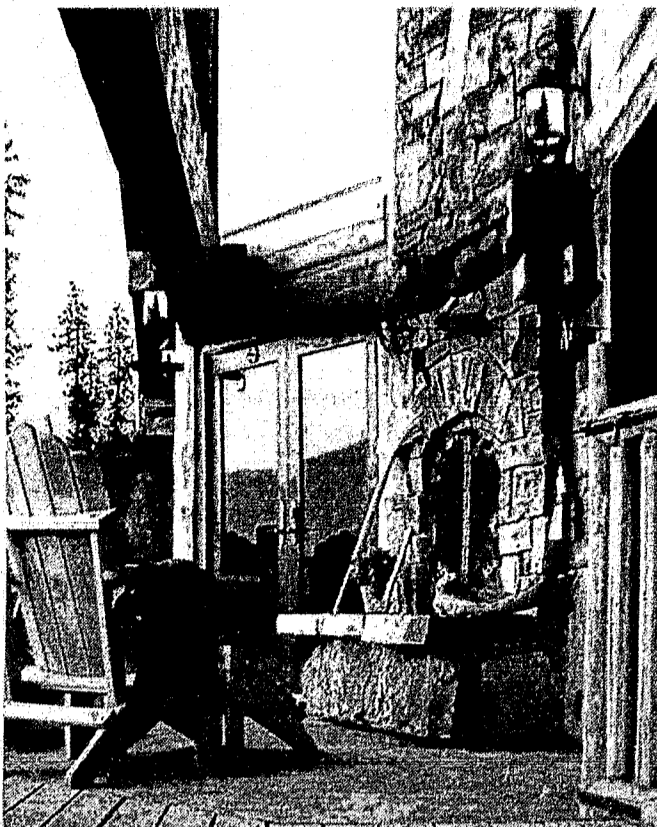
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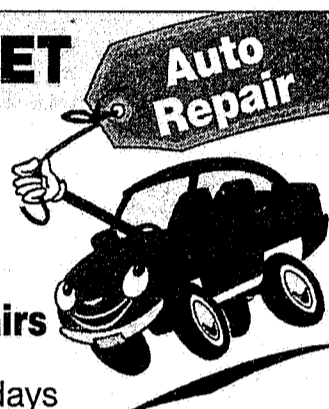


Shawn Tully, senior editor-at-large at Forbes Magazine/CNN/Money.com, whose only vested interest is giving the best advice to his audience of nine million affluent investors just penned an article entitled "Real Estate: It's Time to Buy Again." We can't tell you to "forget stocks or don't bet on gold" like he did but we do agree that the most attractive asset class in America is real estate. Great ideas never remain just ideas so now is the time to plan ahead, weigh your options and broaden the horizon of your dreams. Nestled in the heart of Sunday River, a sports lover's paradise, this exclusive gated neighborhood awaits a select few looking for an end to compromise. Merrill Hill is committed to the preservation of nature with underground utilities on 460 acres of pristine forest and Sunday River Frontage flanked by Sunday River Golf Club and Ski Trails. Now is the time to peacefully ponder life surrounded by dramatic displays of nature to select your homesite and to begin planning your home. This land is spectacular swathed in green and just as fresh as your opportunity to lay claim to your own gem on Morganite, Tourmaline, Beryl, Topaz, Amethyst or Aquamarine. Each one of a kind trophy property. Merrill Hill moves forward confidently for those who share the vision with enthusiasm knowing that living in a fine home in a beautiful setting will always define the American Dream.

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Exhibition

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"GLORIOUS RIDGES AND PRINCELY PEAKS:" ARTISTIC VISIONS OF THE WHITE MOUNTAINS
A display opening Saturday at the Bethel Historical Society presents 19th and 20th century paintings of the highlands of northern New Hampshire and western Maine. "With its outstanding combination of superb scenery, important historical associations, and easy accessibility to millions of people in the northeastern United States and Atlantic Canada, the White Mountain region has long occupied an important place in our collective imaginations," said BHS executive director Randy Bennett. Mason House exhibit hall; 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. on the day of opening and Tuesday through Sunday 1 - 4 p.m. thereafter; exhibit runs through Aug. 31. The exhibition is in conjunction with the Society's on the White Mountain Club of Portland, which opens Aug. 13. (Photo: BHS)

While some of the New Hampshire paintings may show towering peaks, "The artists and railroad workers used to say that the best views are from 15 to 20 miles away from the high summits," said Randy Bennett, BHS executive director.

As for the artists themselves, Bennett said they "were inspired by the landscape of the White Mountain region, knowing, too, that there was a ready market for their paintings. During the age of the so-called 'White Mountain School,' which ended by the 1890s, a community of artists worked in a similar manner and created picturesque landscapes in a recognizably similar style.

"If you add those who painted after 1900, the artists differed in many ways. Many chose to focus on specific mountains, waterfalls, or general locations in the White Mountains in Maine and New Hampshire, but they differed most in their technique. After the Civil War, artists depicting this region became more interested in investigating the effects of light and atmosphere rather than topography."

The art exhibition opened last weekend and will run until the end of August, Tuesday through Sunday, 1 to 4 p.m. Related exhibition next month

The show serves as a prelude to another exhibition that will begin Aug. 13, entitled "The White Mountain Club of Portland: North America's Second Mountaineering Organization."

As described by BHS, the club was founded in 1873 as the second mountaineering organization in North America (pre-dating the Appala-

Voting

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Absentee's impact

While the Election-Day registration appeared to draw the most attention statewide, in the Bethel area several town officials see the absentee change as the more logistically beneficial.

Absentee voting is a lengthy process," said Bethel Town Clerk Christen Mason.

Town Office employees in Bethel have spent large portions of their workdays just before Election Day doing computer work for absentee requests.

Election Day registration, said Woodstock Town Manager Vern Maxfield, "is not anywhere near the problem that absentee voting is on Election Day and the day before."

The situation is similar in Greenwood where, said Town Manager Kim Sparks, absentee voting is more time-consuming than registration.

For the smaller towns, said most officials, same-day registration has little impact.

"Registering a new voter on Election Day has never been a problem if the resident has the appropriate identification," said Hanover Town Clerk Clem Worcester.

"We typically only have a half dozen request to register on Election Day," said Sparks.

Mason said the only time same-day registration has a significant impact on workflow has been during presidential or other very-high turnout elections.

Gilead Town Clerk Lin Chapman saw same-day reg-

istration as a benefit:

"In a small town like Gilead, I feel it is a benefit to have same-day voter registration. The Town Office is open only once a week, due to the fact that there is not a big enough demand to be open more. It is easier for voters to come to vote and register all at one time. I think a lot of voters prefer to have that option."

Voter fraud

As for voter fraud perpetrated through Election-Day registration, Chapman said, "With the new CVR (Central Voter Registration) system, it is harder for someone to register in [another town] and stay on Gilead's list."

If someone moved to Bethel, she said, "Bethel can go into CVR and remove them from Gilead and make them a Bethel voter."

"Or I can change someone from another town."

"There is always someone who complains that so-and-so should not be on the list."

"I tell them that if they own a residence to come back to Gilead, they can stay on the list unless they register somewhere else. Then that town will remove them from Gilead and make them their own voter."

For example, she said, "I have a person who is not living in Gilead, but wants to stay on the list. They register their vehicles in Gilead and own a home that they can return to live in."

"Very difficult call, but they have not registered anywhere else."

Greenwood, Hanover, Newry and Woodstock also said they have seen little evidence of attempted fraud.

Maxfield said in his 23 years on the job, voters have questioned other voters' residency only three or four times.

In Greenwood, "we have never had anyone challenge a vote due to them being or not being a resident," said Sparks.

Worcester said a few seasonal residents there "are thought to be registered here and in other states, but those are only suspicions."

Legislator's view

Rep. Jarrod Crockett (R-Bethel) voted for the bill, but said that in the context of other, more stringent bills that had also been proposed on the voting issues, the bill that was approved was a reasonable compromise.

He said he understands "where the town clerks are coming from" on the absentee process, but at the same time, "we want people to vote. I don't like the idea of disenfranchising voters."

The ban on Election Day registration, he said, was aimed more at clerks in cities.

And, said Crockett, "for me this was not about voter fraud, especially in rural Maine. The clerks here know everyone."

He said he hopes the change will not significantly impact the total number of people voting, and he would be willing to revisit the issue if the effects turn out to be negative.

CLUB AND ORGANIZATION NEWS

The Citizen welcomes submissions of news items and photographs from local clubs and organizations. The deadline for clubs and organizational items is noon Monday, but earlier submission is appreciated.

All news articles should be typed or printed legibly, and include the name and daytime telephone number of a contact person.

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The Way I See It

by Sharon Bouchard

There are research studies that are done for just about everything under the sun. A lot of the research, though certainly not all, is funded by government grants. In other words, taxpayers' dollars; that's you and me.

Some of the studies are quite beneficial to all of us and in some cases have saved lives. Such was the research that determined that infants placed on their backs were less likely to die from Sudden Infant Death Syndrome.

Up to that point it was believed that placing an infant on his or her tummy would insure that they could get up any gas bubbles they may have. Once the change to putting babies on their backs became standard practice the rate of SIDS dropped dramatically. That's what I call a good research study.

The results of another good research study came out just a year or so ago and that was that coffee drinking is actually beneficial to one's health. Being a coffee drinker I was quite pleased to read about that.

And then there are the research studies that seem to me to be a waste of time, money and brainpower. A few years ago I read of a study conducted by a university that used scientists who are assumedly a lot smarter than the average person. They put their collective brainpower to work studying cow flatulence. You read that correctly, they actually studied how many times a day a cow

rips one, which turns out to be one heck of a lot.

One would think that the purpose of such a study would be figure out if anything could be done to harness all that methane gas, but if that was the case there was no mention of it in the article I read. If you ask me the whole study just stunk.

The results of a new research study were recently released and in my opinion it was a complete waste of time and money. Any working housewife and mother could have told the

Still, I'll give the men credit for helping.

brilliant scientific minds at the University of California what they found out in a five-minute telephone call.

The study confirmed that women who work and have children need help with housework to reduce stress levels and improve health. Well...duh!

The researchers studied a group of 30 dual-earning couples for a week monitoring their daily activities and tracked levels of a stress hormone called cortisol. If I understood it correctly cortisol primes the body for physical and mental challenges during the day. Cortisol is sup-

posed to recede at day's end in anticipation of rest and relaxation.

According to the article people with chronically high levels of cortisol or those whose levels fail to decline in the evening not only feel stressed but are vulnerable to a wide range of physical and mental illnesses.

The brilliant scientists found that the cortisol levels in women did not go down proportionately to their husbands. Well...duh again!

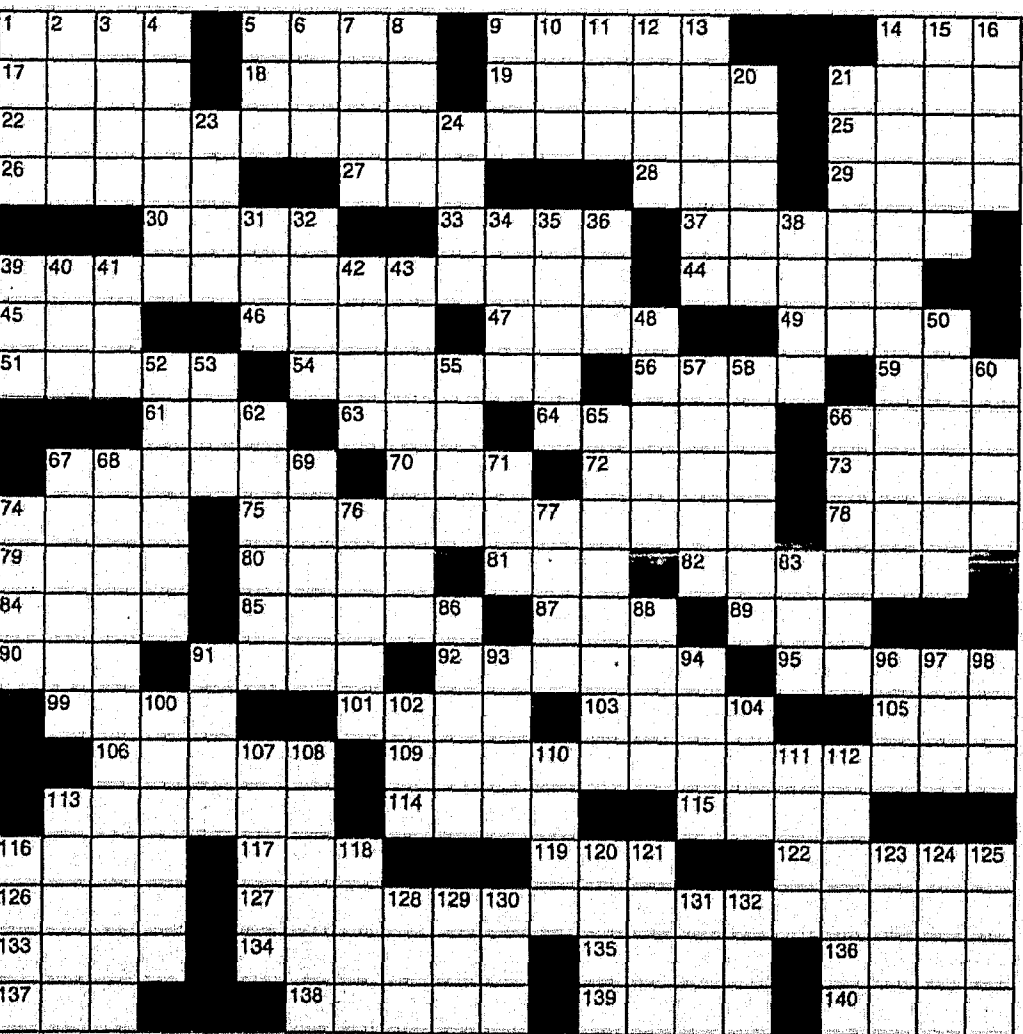
Out of the 30 couples there were a few husbands who helped with the evening chores such as doing dishes and helping to put the kids to bed. In their cases the cortisol didn't drop as low as the husbands who spent the evening channel surfing; however, it did drop lower than their wives.

I suspect that is because the husbands helped the wives, but the wives still had the bulk of the evening chores to do. Still, I'll give the men credit for helping.

It's amazing to me that it took a bunch of brilliant scientists and who knows how great an expense to figure out scientifically what every housewife has known for centuries.

Any housewife can tell the brilliant scientists about a lot of other differences between husband and wife and stress levels, but the way I see it, they won't ask because they are probably planning a great research study to figure it out.

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OCSD Patrol Log:

Tuesday, June 28

At 4:49 p.m. a caller reported a vehicle burning its tires. It turned out to be an ongoing neighbor dispute, not a traffic violation.

At 8:17 p.m. Cpl. Brian Landis responded to the Flat Road for a juvenile issue.

Wednesday, June 29

At 12:57 a.m. Cpl. Brian Landis responded to Crescent Lane for a juvenile problem. The subject, on a school roof, was sent home.

At 7:10 a.m. Deputy Dennis Ryder responded to the Sunday River Road for a report that a vehicle had run a red light in a construction zone.

At 10:34 a.m. a Main Street business called about an intoxicated person. Deputy Dennis Ryder and Trooper Paul Casey responded. Dwayne A. Cook, 53, of Bethel was arrested for OUI and operating without a license.

At 2:56 p.m. on the Parkway Warden Norm Lewis stopped a vehicle for having no registration plates.

Thursday, June 30

At 7:27 p.m. Deputies Dennis Ryder and Mike Parshall responded to Vernon Street for a report of a dirt bike being stolen during the night.

At 3:12 p.m. a caller on Evergreen Road asked to speak to an officer regarding a suspicious male handing out pamphlets in the area. The caller said she had tried to give the pamphlet back and he grabbed her arm and told her she was going to hell. Deputy Dennis Ryder responded.

Friday, July 1

At 1:30 a.m. on Railroad Street Deputy Matt Noyes arrested Charles Hurd, 49, of Bethel for second offense OUI, Class D.

At 2:21 p.m. a caller reported having some information about the location of a stolen item. Deputy Mike Parshall was assigned.

At 3:39 p.m. Sgt. Tim Holland received information about a stolen item. The complainant believed she knew who took it.

At 4:50 p.m. a caller reported a possible intoxicated driver heading east on Route 2. Sgt. Tim Holland was assigned.

Saturday, July 2

At 11:16 a.m. Deputy Mike Parshall responded to Main and Railroad streets for a minor property-damage accident.

At 11:43 a.m. Deputy Mike Parshall responded to Main Street for a minor property-damage accident.

At 12:57 p.m. a report was received of a speeding vehicle in New Hampshire coming into Maine on Route 2. Deputy Mike Parshall made contact with it when it arrived in Bethel.

At 4:21 p.m. a caller on the West Bethel Road reported a lost wallet. Sgt. Tim Holland was assigned.

At 2:41 p.m. a caller reported a vehicle on Route 26 northbound in Woodstock traveling at a high rate of speed. Deputy Mike Parshall was assigned.

At 9:14 p.m. a caller reported that a tanker on Route 2 in West Bethel was leaking fluids. The Department of Transportation was contacted.

Bethel

By DON BENNETT



At the bridge Route 2's bridge over the railroad in Bethel opened on schedule Friday morning one lane at a time. First traffic over the bridge was from West to East and by 11 a.m. both lanes were open and the barriers removed. Sidewalks will be finished up and opened later.

Martha's has new face lift
The Main Street building vacated by Home Slice Pizza has a bright yellow front and over all new shine to it. In modern times it is probably remembered best as Martha Von Zintl's restaurant. Rosalind Chapman wrote a full history of the building when she updated her Bethel's Main Street Through History in 1997. From her profile, we learn that it started life as E.E. Whitney's Monuments shop. And the building's history "lives on in the numerous monuments to some of Bethel's best known citizens in various Bethel cemeteries." Dot York was the last to operate a restaurant here in the name of Martha's. For some years the Bethel Chamber of Commerce office was housed in the building. In 1946 Martha and Billy Von Zintl first named their new eatery the Roadside Grill.

Window shopping
With the holiday weekend comes the beginning of the summer people. Last year Yankee Magazine gave Bethel low marks in shopping when writing the magazine's survey of best foliage towns in New England. On Saturday morning, walking from Ruthies to the Philbrook Place I noticed some good window/outdoor shopping attractions - Books-N-things, Pok Sun Emporium, and at Philbrook Place Haagaard's Den and a tent enclosure display of work by Dirk MacKnight. There was also a happy crowd at Café Di-Cocoa. The Emporium has recently added a large bay win-



ART FAIR WORKS

Saturday's Bethel Art Fair drew a good crowd on the Common. Above, at the AR-Tirondack Chair Auction, Chris Davies displays his chair painted in honor of the Boston Bruins' Stanley Cup Championship. The chair sold for \$500. Top right, Norman Millard and Carole Timberlake at Millard's Artistic Endeavors' tent, featuring his digital photos on canvas mounted on regular painter's stretchers. Right, the seventh annual Shy, Novice and Closeted Art Show took place at Janet Willie's home. The show provides an opportunity and encouragement for such artists to show their work. Here, in the foreground, is a quilt by Jeanne Boelsma depicting, as she describes, "scenes from our family during the last three decades."

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dow display with all kinds of small creatures and special custom lamps. If a shopkeeper is going to take advantage of window space, Ruthies is the place to use as a model to copy.

While strolling down window shopping lane, I had the good fortune of catching Odd Lyngholm, the craftsman behind Haagaard's Den, on the Philbrook Place porch watching over his display of rustic woodcraft. As a bonus for walking down Main Street we had a very interesting visit and I learned a lot about someone whose name in the history of Sunday River Ski area seems to have been lost.

NTL
Christine Greenleaf told me last week that NTL has not scheduled any sessions in Bethel for this summer.

Artful Weekend
The Mahosuc Arts Council sponsored Bethel's 2nd Bethel Art Fair on the Common. It was a fair in the complete sense of the word that is a market place for arts and crafts people. The art show sponsored by Janet Willie, her seventh such showing, was for local people to exhibit their work.

Bethel Art Fair
By Aranka Matolecy
"The Mahosuc Arts Council's Art Fair last weekend brought sunny skies together with the beautiful arts of 64 fine artists and artisan crafters, talented live entertainers, 13 artists who painted chairs for the 8th AR-Thronedack Auction, great local food and crowds of art lovers of all ages. The success of this event is evidence of a lot of time and energy put in by volunteers and the

support of donors and sponsors who recognize the value of the arts in our community. "Most artists reported that the crowd was great. Some said they thought it compared to last year. We got positive feedback on our change to the venue layout. We heard that the variety of arts and quality of the work represented was very good. To add a little more variety to the entertainment, we played recorded music of performers we have presented in the past. This year we also added three additional honorable-mention awards and chair massage in the shade."

In the afternoon when Kathy and I cruised through the rows of exhibit tents, the Swift River Jazz Band entertained marvelously from the gazebo. We look for and then discuss our top three picks - occasionally we agree.

Bethel's finest on the Common came under the name of Artistic Endeavors Norman Millard CEO, Artistic Endeavors' tent featured photos digitally applied to canvas and mounted on regular painter's stretchers. The centerpiece being the now ubiquitous scene of all Sunday River ski trails (photo by Norm M. taken from the Great Brook Preserve in Newry). Norm said he had many winter visitors to his gallery comment during their walk-around "very nice, but don't you have anything of Sunday River." All of the photo-on-canvas art exhibited at Artistic Endeavor's booth were photos Norm had taken himself.

Two other exhibits that came in one and two in our tour of the fair were displays by Lori Austill of South Portland and Irene Duplissis of Auburn.

Ms. Austill exhibited her paintings created with a bees-wax medium and in most cases colored by powdered pigment. Ms. Duplissis's display was of water colors scenes that were from the Andrew and Jamey Wyeth genre. Very well done; the two that caught my eye were one of watering cans and another of a window and window box of flowers.

Art Show for the Shy, Novice and Closeted

This year's show was number seven. At its first opening the show had 32 exhibitors and this year there were 40. Artists' ages ranged from four years old to 91.

Friday evening, Janet Willie hosted a sort of potluck hors d'oeuvre and snacks reception as a preview of the next day's main exhibition.

For Bethel area artists who may be just beginning, this exhibition is a chance for others to see their work on a low key, very low budget venue. However, that said, there are some very sophisticated works of art displayed at this off Broadway show. There were three renderings of the late Studie Cross. The one I particularly liked was a pencil study by Deb Lewis in which she captured a very thoughtful state of her subject.

Housing the exhibition in one's own home has many advantages for the exhibitor because as you see the various pieces of art one can imagine how their rooms might look with a particular work hanging there. The home display also causes the visitors to rub elbows and discuss the views before them with each other. Ms. Willie has been very pleased to see that artists who had exhibited at her show

have gone on to become well known and succeed in selling their work in the art market place far from Bethel.

As for me, as an observer at this year's showing, the one work which, probably due to my age, seemed most perceptive was an image showing an elderly woman's face in the center of streaming but unformed colors. The painting's subject and message was about the person being lost in a state of dementia.

Photos taken at the show will be in the online edition of the Bethel News for July 5, 2011. The Web address is www.thebetheljournals.info and click Weekly News for the index.

Town Reports

Bethel Airport Authority Annual Report for FY 2010

In 2010 the Bethel Regional Airport experienced a four-fold increase in activity over 2009, from over 500 arrivals and departures, to almost 2,000.

Fiscal Year 2010 saw continued improvements at the Bethel Regional Airport, building on our already outstanding reputation as one of the best self-service, general aviation airports in New England. These improvements are once again in large part due to the leadership of the Airport Authority and the hard work of the Airport Manager and Coordinator.

In 2009 the Bethel Airport Authority chose Oest Associates (now AMEC) to help the Authority update the 10-year Master Plan. Although it has been a difficult and time-consuming process, it will lay the groundwork for the federal grants that help pay for the development and ensure that existing resources are leveraged

for the benefit of Bethel taxpayers.

Coming Events

July 9 and 10, Saturday and Sunday at Telstar High School 50th Annual Western Maine Gem, Mineral and Jewelry Show

The 50th Annual Western Maine Gem, Mineral and Jewelry Show is sponsored by the Oxford County Mineral and Gem Association. The show features a wide variety of dealers from Maine and across the United States providing outstanding specimens, jewelry, gem rough and more. There are museum quality displays along with an eye-catching fluorescent mineral booth. There will be demonstrations on gold panning and cabbaging (the grinding and polishing of stones for jewelry) throughout the weekend. There are hourly door prizes as well as a grand door prize, which is drawn at the end of the show.

July 14 Sunday River New England Forest Rally is back again for its 20th running in Maine this July 14-17, 2011. Headquartered at Sunday River Resort in Newry this action-packed event is free to the public with spectator friendly race stages located from Western Maine to Northern New Hampshire.

July 15, 16 and 17 - 2011 Androscoggin River Source to the Sea. Friday, July 15 - Meet at 9 a.m. at the Shelburne Bridge in Shelburne, N.H., to paddle to Gilead (9.5 miles). Possibly the most beautiful segment of the Trek with great mountain views and wildlife.

Saturday, July 16 - Partake in Mollycoddle Days festivities in the morning, then join us for an afternoon/early evening paddle before the fireworks. Meet at 3 p.m. at the river access point off Bridge Street in Gilead. Take-out is at Bethel Outdoor Adventure. Sunday, July 17 - Meet at 9 a.m. at Bethel Outdoor Adventure to paddle to Hanover boat launch (10.5 miles). The trek will be joined by a contingent from Maine Handicapped Skiing.

The History Club

For Civil War history fans, a very interesting new book is just out, reviewed in the New York Times Sunday Book Review. "A World on Fire," Britain's Crucial Role in the American Civil

War by Amanda Foreman. It is available through Amazon and Barnes and Noble. English men fought on both sides and Britain was politically divided on which side should be supported. The Confederate armed cruiser, Alabama, case is also well covered in this new book.

Researching history of family members

By Mary Ennis

"It would be good to let people know there are other resources besides books on a shelf. The research library had a request for information on a Civil War soldier who was buried in Greenwood area. I looked in the Civil War records to determine if a pension had been paid to his widow but found no record. I found nothing more than his military record (no more than what the person requesting additional information had submitted). I checked through all the cemetery records, but found no information on his date of death. I then checked the newspaper microfilm (Oxford Democrat) and found no mention of his passing.

This was the second week where I hadn't been able to find any information. When I got home I did a search on the Internet and found him on the 1900 census for Milton Plantation, Woodstock Town. He was a widower living with his daughter and son-in-law. I did more research and found in the Woodstock town records he had died of dropsy (fluid retention due to heart or kidney disease).

When researching the Internet I tend to find more information if I don't narrow the search too much. Instead by using just a last name and a state you may find the family members as well because name spelling and location may be different than what you're led to believe. There are several reliable research sites, but as with everything else, not all information is correct as submitted. The research library at the Historical Society has a wealth of information which includes hand-written early town records (for birth, death and marriage records) as well as newspapers on microfilm which go back as far as 1835."

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Hanover, was injured by a hit and run truck driver when she was 13 years old. Her injuries resulted in a life as a quadriplegic. Always wanting to be independent she moved into an apartment complex in Auburn. As time went by it became more difficult for her to maintain her independence there. Jen began looking for new ways to remain in her own home, and with the help of many others the intention was to build a specially adapted house. After a few years with much help and support, Jen's new home in Lewiston is now complete and waiting for her.

A driving force behind Jen's new house has been Tammy Nosek from New York. She is the daughter of Robert and Diane Milligan from Rumford Point. Tammy and Jen attended school together in the area. Recently Tammy was awarded the 2011 Meritorious Service Award given by the American Society of Engineers. Besides her work on Jen Turner's behalf she also has worked with Angel Flight, Guiding Eyes for the Blind and the Winona Lake Engine Company in Newburg, N.Y., where she lives.

Claudia Nadone and family have come to Howard Pond for the summer.

is in the cemetery, tasted a few bites of apples from two different trees, walked through the garden, and then disappeared. Fun to watch.

Bobby T. woke up Friday morning and couldn't see. His eyes hurt, runny nose and all that, he assumed that he was having an allergy attack but the doctor at the Colebrook Hospital told him he had conjunctivitis. While I was waiting for him to be diagnosed Ellie LeCompte stopped in the lobby and we had a pleasant conversation. She told me that she has some desk chairs that came out of the Upton school. I think she said that the historical society may have them if someone would be willing to brave the bats to get them.

Bobby T., his wife Deb, and Deb's sister, Diane are at camp for the week. Bobby expects to stay another week after the girls go home.

The next Upton Selectmen's meeting will be Friday, July 8, at 7 p.m. at the town office.

Upton Historical Society will meet July 17 in the school.

Waterford

By ROCKIE GRAHAM

Today is the 4th of July. We are off to breakfast at the Wilkins House, and maybe the parade in Waterford.

Then it is off to the other house to bring over cabinets, wood, tables and other items. Whether or not we cookout there or here depends on the weather. Last night I



FIRST LADY AT 4H CAMP—The UMaine 4-H Camp and Learning Center at Bryant Pond is hosting a series of programs, Operation Military Kids, to give military children a chance to experience the outdoors while meeting other kids from similar backgrounds. Maine First Lady Ann LePage visited the camp last week. Here LePage (holding brochure), Bryant Pond 4-H Camp Board of Directors Vice President Suzanne Grover, Ass't. Program Director Ron Fournier, and Extension Educator Susan Jennings talk about the camp's program offerings on the porch of the Cranestone Cottage, the main office building. (Submitted photo)

had a good supper planned, but the rain had another idea and we ended up with just leftovers.

That was fine as I like to eat up leftovers before they go bad.

The Hart family feels otherwise, but my family of origin always ate the leftovers because we knew it was better the second day.

Today I will try to grill the corn from yesterday and add a few veggies - zukes, mush-

rooms, peppers, etc. Hope all had a great 4th.

Thursday, the 7th, ACA (Adult Children of Alcohol or Dysfunctional Families) will meet at the Waterford Library at 10 a.m. All are welcome. We are discussing Step 7. FMI please call 739-9115.

Thursday, the 7th through Saturday, the 9th, is the Norway Arts Festival. Main Street will be closed all day Saturday. I will be working at Fare Share in the a.m. And can be

seen at the Poets on the Porch in the afternoon. Should be a fun time with something for everyone. FMI call Lisa Moore at 743-9808.

For the month of July, the North Waterford and Stoneham churches will meet at the North Waterford Church on Five Kezars Road, off routes 35 and 37 opposite Melby's. They meet at 10 a.m.

Monday, July 11, Socrates Café meets at Waterford Library from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Upton

By JOE BERNIER



a little off the lilac bush that

2010 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report Bethel Water District

Bethel, Maine
PWSID ME0090160

We're pleased to present to you our Annual Drinking Water Quality Report, also known as the Consumer Confidence Report. This report, a requirement of the 1996 amendments to the Safe Drinking Water Act, is designed to inform you about the quality of water and services we deliver to you every day. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We want you to understand the efforts we make to continually improve the water treatment process and protect our water resources. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your water.

WATER SOURCE

Our water source comes from five drilled groundwater wells located in Bethel ranging from 36-40 feet in depth. The wells are treated with chlorine to protect from possible bacterial contaminants and fluoride to promote dental health. Our system serves a population of 1,405 customers through 502 service connections.

SOURCE WATER ASSESSMENT

The Maine Drinking Water Program (DWP) has evaluated all public water supplies as part of the Source Water Assessment Program (SWAP). The assessments included geology, hydrology, land uses, water testing information, and the extent of land ownership or protection by local ordinance. Our water source is not likely to be contaminated by human activities in the future. Assessment results are available at public water suppliers, town offices, and the DWP. For more information about the SWAP, please contact the DWP at telephone 207-287-2070.

Water Information

Current water information: 1/1/2010-12/31/2012
In 2010 our system was granted a Synthetic Organic Waiver. This is a three year exemption from the monitoring/reporting requirements for pesticides, herbicides, fungicides and other industrial chemicals. This waiver was granted due to the absence of these potential sources of contamination within half a mile of the water source.

If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water system, please contact Lucien Roberge, Superintendent, or Donald Katlin, Assistant Superintendent, at telephone number 207-824-2342 or by email at lucien.rob@bethelwater.org or donald.katlin@bethelwater.org. If you want to learn more, please attend any of our regularly scheduled meetings. They are held on the third Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m. at the Bethel Town Office Meeting Room on Main Street.

WATER QUALITY

Bethel Water District routinely monitors for contaminants in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. The following table shows any detection resulting from our monitoring for the period of January 1st to December 31st, 2010.

The sources of drinking water include rivers, lakes, ponds and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and radioactive material and can pick up substances resulting from human or animal activity. All sources of drinking water are subject to potential contamination by substances that are naturally occurring or man made. Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.

Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, can be naturally occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.

Pesticides and herbicides may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff, and residential uses. Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems.

Radioactive contaminants can be naturally occurring or the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health. The table below lists all of the drinking water contaminants that were detected through our water quality monitoring and testing. The presence of contaminants in the water does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk.

TEST RESULTS					
Unless otherwise noted, testing was done in 2010					
Contaminant	Violation N	Level Detected	Unit Measurement	MCLG	MCL
Microbiological Contaminants					
Total Coliform Bacteria	N	0	positive	0	1 positive
Radioactive Contaminants					
Radium (212,226)	N	460	pCi/L	n/a	4,000
Inorganic Contaminants					
Boron (17-19)	N	0.0057	ppm	2	2
Chromium (15-17)	N	43	ppb	100	100
Copper (13-15)	N	0.15	ppm	1.3	AL-1.3
Lead (15-16)	N	7.4	ppm	4	4
Nitrate (12-15)	N	6.0	ppb	0	AL-10
Nitrite (12-15)	N	49	ppm	10	10
Selenium (11-19)	N	10	ppb	50	50
Disinfection By-Products					
HAAs (Total Halogenated Acids)	N	RAA = 0.0 (range sample)	ppb	0	60
THMs (Total Halomethanes)	N	RAA = 2.0 (range sample)	ppb	0	80
Initial Distribution System Evaluation (IDSE) Data**					
Contaminant	Level Detected	Unit Measurement	Likely Source of Contamination		
HAAs (Total Halogenated Acids)	RAA = 0.0 (range sample)	ppb	By-product of drinking water chlorination		
THMs (Total Halomethanes)	RAA = 2.0 (range sample)	ppb	By-product of drinking water chlorination		

Definitions:
Action Level (AL): The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL): is the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLG as feasible using the best available technology.
Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG): is the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
Maximum Residual Disinfection Level (MRDL): The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.
MRDLG: is the level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
Not Applicable (N/A): Does not apply.
Running Annual Average (RAA): The average of all monthly or quarterly samples for the last year at all sample locations.
Treatment Technique (TT): A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water (e.g., treatment techniques for turbidity, Volatile Organic Compounds, and Lead). State of EPA permission not to meet an MCL, a treatment technique or to use a given contaminant under certain conditions.
Turbidity: Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU) - nephelometric turbidity unit is a measure of the clarity of water. Turbidity in excess of 5 NTU is just noticeable to the average person.
Parts per billion (ppb) or micrograms per liter (µg/L): One part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.
Parts per million (ppm) or milligrams per liter (mg/L): One part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.
Picoles per liter (pCi/L): A measure of the radioactivity in water.

Notes:
Boron: Some people who drink water containing boron in excess of the MCL over many years could experience an increase in their blood pressure.
Fluoride: Fluoride levels must be maintained between 1.2 ppm for those water systems that fluoridate the water.
Nitrate: Nitrate in drinking water at levels above 10 ppm is a health risk for infants of less than six months of age. High nitrate levels in drinking water can cause blue baby syndrome. Nitrate levels may rise quickly for short periods of time because of natural or agricultural activity. If you are caring for an infant you should ask about your health care provider.
Total Coliform Bacteria: Reported as the highest monthly number of positive samples for water systems that take < 40 samples per month.
THM Disinfection: Total Trihalomethanes (THMs) and Halogenated Acids (HAAs) are formed as a by-product of drinking water chlorination. This chemical reaction occurs when chlorine combines with naturally occurring organic matter in water.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:
Since our system chlorinates its water, we are required to report our annual average for chlorine residual. Chlorine Residual was found to be 0.24 ppm, with a range of 0.1 ppm to 0.3 ppm.

As you can see by the table, our system had no violations. We're proud that your drinking water meets all Federal and State requirements. The EPA has determined that your water IS SAFE at these levels.

All drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

For most people, the health benefits of drinking plenty of water outweigh any possible health risk from these contaminants. However, some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA's Center for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. We are responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for thirty (30) seconds to two (2) minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/lead>.

We, at Bethel Water District, work hard to provide top quality water to every tap. We ask that all our customers help us protect and preserve our drinking water resources, which are the heart of our community, our way of life, and our children's future. Please contact us with any questions. Thank you for working together for safe drinking water.

Copies available at the Bethel Water District Office on 9 Philbrook Street and at the Bethel Town Office on Main Street From 8am-5pm Monday-Friday

2010 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report West Bethel Water System

Bethel, Maine
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WATER SOURCE

Our water comes from two wells located in West Bethel. These two wells, which require no treatment, serve 125 people through 50 service connections.

SOURCE WATER ASSESSMENT

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WATER QUALITY

West Bethel Water System routinely monitors for contaminants in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. The following table shows any detection resulting from our monitoring for the period of January 1st to December 31st, 2010.

In 2008, due to efforts to protect the water supply, we applied for and were granted a three year waiver for synthetic organic chemicals (Phase I/II) testing. This is an exemption from the testing/monitoring requirements for pesticides, herbicides, fungicides and other industrial chemicals; the state of Maine Drinking Water Program grants a waiver only upon a finding that "it will not result in an unreasonable risk to health."

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Arsenic (19-19)	N	0.56	ppb	0	10
Boron (17-19)	N	0.014	ppm	2	2
Chromium (15-17)	N	1.0	ppb	100	100
Copper (13-15)	N	0.05	ppm	1.3	AL-1.3
Lead (15-16)	N	0.00	ppm	4	4
Nitrate (12-15)	N	2.0	ppb	0	AL-10
Selenium (11-19)	N	10	ppb	50	50
Disinfection By-Products					
HAAs (Total Halogenated Acids)	N	RAA = 0.0 (range sample)	ppb	0	60
THMs (Total Halomethanes)	N	RAA = 2.0 (range sample)	ppb	0	80
Initial Distribution System Evaluation (IDSE) Data**					
Contaminant	Level Detected	Unit Measurement	Likely Source of Contamination		
HAAs (Total Halogenated Acids)	RAA = 0.0 (range sample)	ppb	By-product of drinking water chlorination		
THMs (Total Halomethanes)	RAA = 2.0 (range sample)	ppb	By-product of drinking water chlorination		

Definitions:
Action Level (AL): The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL): is the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLG as feasible using the best available technology.
Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG): is the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
Maximum Residual Disinfection Level (MRDL): The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.
MRDLG: is the level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
Not Applicable (N/A): Does not apply.
Running Annual Average (RAA): The average of all monthly or quarterly samples for the last year at all sample locations.
Treatment Technique (TT): A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water (e.g., treatment techniques for turbidity, Volatile Organic Compounds, and Lead). State of EPA permission not to meet an MCL, a treatment technique or to use a given contaminant under certain conditions.

Turbidity: Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU) - nephelometric turbidity unit is a measure of the clarity of water. Turbidity in excess of 5 NTU is just noticeable to the average person.
Parts per billion (ppb) or micrograms per liter (µg/L): One part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.
Parts per million (ppm) or milligrams per liter (mg/L): One part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.
Picoles per liter (pCi/L): A measure of the radioactivity in water.

Notes:
Boron: Some people who drink water containing boron in excess of the MCL over many years could experience an increase in their blood pressure.
Fluoride: Fluoride levels must be maintained between 1.2 ppm for those water systems that fluoridate the water.
Nitrate: Nitrate in drinking water at levels above 10 ppm is a health risk for infants of less than six months of age. High nitrate levels in drinking water can cause blue baby syndrome. Nitrate levels may rise quickly for short periods of time because of natural or agricultural activity. If you are caring for an infant you should ask about your health care provider.
Total Coliform Bacteria: Reported as the highest monthly number of positive samples for water systems that take < 40 samples per month.
THM Disinfection: Total Trihalomethanes (THMs) and Halogenated Acids (HAAs) are formed as a by-product of drinking water chlorination. This chemical reaction occurs when chlorine combines with naturally occurring organic matter in water.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:
Since our system chlorinates its water, we are required to report our annual average for chlorine residual. Chlorine Residual was found to be 0.24 ppm, with a range of 0.1 ppm to 0.3 ppm.

As you can see by the table, our system had no violations. We're proud that your drinking water meets all Federal and State requirements. The EPA has determined that your water IS SAFE at these levels.

All drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

For most people, the health benefits of drinking plenty of water outweigh any possible health risk from these contaminants. However, some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA's Center for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

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We, at West Bethel Water System, work hard to provide top quality water to every tap. We ask that all our customers help us protect and preserve our drinking water resources, which are the heart of our community, our way of life, and our children's future. Please contact us with any questions. Thank you for working together for safe drinking water.

The topic is "Does Wikileaks Play a Constructive Role in Society?" FMI call 583-2050.

Saturday, the 9th (9 to 5) and Sunday, the 10th (10 to 4), is the Western Maine Gem, Mineral and Jewelry Show at Telstar High School in Bethel. FMI call Randy Withee at 595-8346.

That is all for this week. Have a great week and stay cool. Hope all had a great 4th.

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By RICHARD GROVER



Last Friday afternoon I took Shiloh for his first swim in the swimmin' hole at "the falls," just down the hill from home. When we got to the top of the lower falls where the path crosses the main sluiceway, Shiloh started romping in the fast water, when suddenly he slipped. He began struggling for the rock ledge, but failed, sliding down the sluiceway over the 5 or 6 foot - not quite vertical - falls. The water at the base of the falls is not very deep, and Shiloh quickly clambered up the steep bank away from the water. He shook, and it took quite a bit of coaxing to get him to come down and swim in the pool. He enjoyed a couple trips across the pool, and then seemed reluctant to go back in, preferring to visit with another couple lounging on the rocks. I'll take him back down there the next hot day we're home.

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By ALICE HOYT



The Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War held their 99th Convention in Waterville at the Grand Hotel. Nine members from Judith Grover Tent 17 attended.

Michelle Cary, Department President, had a very nice convention. Granddaughter's breakfast was held. One granddaughter, three great-granddaughters, eight great-granddaughters, three great-great-granddaughters, and two great-great-great-granddaughters.

At the morning meeting visitors came to greet Michelle, Commander of the Sons of Veterans C.W. and two ladies from the auxiliary. Delegate at large to the National Convention is Jane Wardwell and Alternate is Vicky Myers.

National Convention is in New York in August. Election of officers was held and Elsie Bonney is the new Department President. We wish her an enjoyable two years.

She announced that on Saturday, July 2, a headstone will be dedicated for a Civil War Veteran found to have no marker. William Johnson was from Maine. The dedication is at 11 a.m. at the Meeting House Cemetery in Yarmouth. The Daughters were asked to attend.

On July 10 in Boston there will be another affair for the Civil War. Convention will again be held on Saturday next year, as the attendance was larger.

Judith Grover tent 17 will meet at the Grange Hall on July 11 for a regular meeting. Services at the Baptist

Church are Sunday school at 9:15 a.m., morning worship at 10:30 a.m.; evening service at 6 p.m. Wednesday evening is prayer meeting at 6:30. The Ladies Luncheon was held on Saturday, June 25. A delicious meal was served by the men with a good attendance. The Vacation Bible School will be held July 18-22 from 6 to 8 p.m. This is for the whole family. Church picnic is Saturday, July 23, at Arlene MacKillop's.

On Sunday, Ken and I were dinner guests of our daughter and husband, Elizabeth and Steve, and Marybeth Hoover. Monday evening we were supper guests for a cookout at our son and wife, Jim and Charlene Hoyt. Joseph Hoyt and friend, Kelsey were also present.

The Woodstock-Greenwood Senior Citizens will meet at the Grange Hall on Thursday, July 7.

Meeting will be at 11:30 a.m. with luncheon following by the Grange. Program by Eddie Howe. New members always welcome.

Historical Society

President Olive Risko and Curator Larry Billings watched the Historical Museum on Saturday, June 25. Joyce Howe did research and two of Joyce's relatives came in. Denise Swan donated the uniform of Morris Morgan and assorted photos. Larry put out wooden models of the Moses Mason house and the O'Neil Robinson house for the day.

The Historical Society Museum has several musical instruments and also artifacts from the Birch Villa Summer Music Camp in its collections. The society values cultural things as well as examples of the decorative arts. Curator Larry Billings promotes these especially.



THE CROSS-COUNTRY QUILTERS 19TH BIENNIAL QUILT SHOW took place last Friday and Saturday at the Middle Intervale Meeting House. At mid-morning on Friday, a steady stream of quilt admirers made their way around the meeting house. Below, a special section (at right) displayed the work of the late Mabel Kennett, a long-time member of the Cross-Country Quilters. (Photos: A. Aloisio)

Ellis River Riders events

Ellis River Riders had a busy holiday weekend beginning with a gymkhana under the lights on Saturday night, July 2, and continuing onto an open show for both English and Western riders on Sunday, as well as a trail ride on Monday.

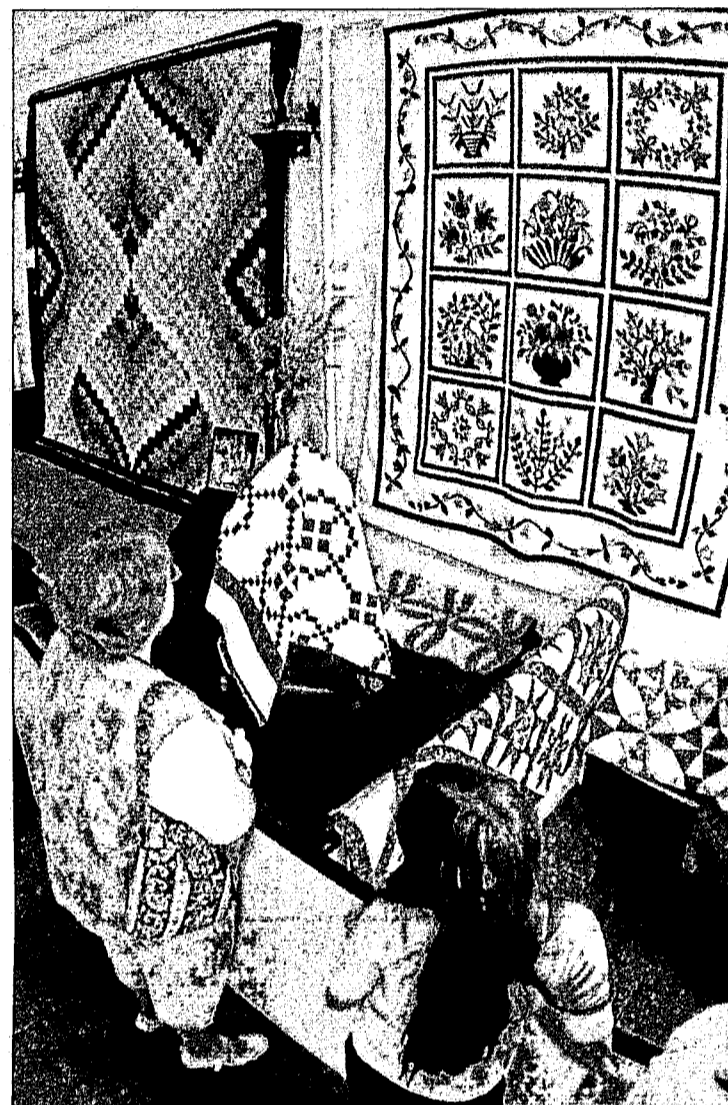
Both shows were well attended with many spectators. Tony's grilling was enjoyed at the food booth by contestants and spectators alike, as were Mama Cayer's homemade baked goodies.

Join us on Saturday, July 9,

at the Topsham Fairgrounds as we join the Maine Equine Supershowdeo (MESS) by hosting a versatility challenge from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Entry forms and information can be found online.

The MESS is a three-day event beginning on Friday with many activities provided by several Maine horse clubs. There will be a variety of events, activities, vendors and food. Admission is free. Parking is \$5/day. Come and join the fun.

The next event at Ellis River Riders grounds in Andover will be an American Competitive Trail Horse Association ride on July 23.



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GOT GOLD OR SILVER? CASH IN DURING RECORD HIGH PRICES... COMPANY IN GORHAM PAYING CASH ON THE SPOT!

*They are paying out right on the spot for my stuff.
Unbelievable!*

By David Morgan
STAFF WRITER

A spokesperson for the event said he expects to spend in excess of \$200,000.00 this week for vintage items and precious metals from local residents.

At previous events, these transactions stood out:

One person sold an old Gibson guitar that was purchased in the 1960's for less than \$250.00. A collector at the event paid him \$2,175.00 for it.

Another person had a pocket watch collection that sold for \$4,600.00, with one of the watches making up \$375.00 of the \$4,600.00 total.

A husband and wife brought in a box of old jewelry, wrist watches, coins and 2 German daggers from WWII and left \$785.00 richer.

This is cool that something like this would come here to our town. Where else would this stuff ever be sold? The Refinery has teamed up with the collectors for a 24 month tour of the United States, both big and small towns, to dig up hidden gems.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

COINS: All coins made before 1965: silver and gold coins, dollars, halves, quarters, dimes, nickels and pennies. All conditions wanted!

VINTAGE GUITARS: Martin, Gibson, Fender, National, Rickenbacker, Gretsch, Mandolins, Banjos & others

WRIST & POCKET WATCHES: Rolex, Tiffany, Hublot, Omega, Chopard, Cartier, Philippe, Waltham, Swatch, Elgin, Bunn Special, Railroad, Ebel, Illinois, Hamilton & all others

JEWELRY: Gold, silver, platinum, diamonds, rubies, sapphires, all types of stones and metals, rings, bracelets, necklaces, etc. (including broken and early costume jewelry)

WAR MEMORABILIA: Revolutionary War, Civil War, WWI, WWII, etc: swords, badges, clothes, photos, medals, knives, gear, letters.

Local records reveal to our research department that recent vintage guitar sold for \$2400.00 and another for \$12,000.00 to a collector that will be tied into the event this week via live database feed.



Above: Refinery representatives will be on hand through Saturday to purchase all gold, silver and platinum items, as well as coins. Public welcome!

SILVER AND GOLD COIN PRICES UP DURING POOR ECONOMY.

Collectors and Enthusiasts in Gorham with
\$200,000 to Purchase Yours!

By Ken McIntosh
STAFF WRITER

Got Coin? It might be just the time to cash in. This week, starting Tuesday and continuing through Saturday, the International Collectors Association in conjunction with the Ohio Valley Gold & Silver Refinery will be purchasing all types of silver and gold coins direct from the public. All types are welcome and the event is free.

Collectors will be on hand to identify and sort your coins. Then the quality or grade will be determined. The better the grade the more they are worth, according to collectors I talked to. With the silver and gold markets high, prices of older coins are too. Any coins minted before 1965 in the U.S. are 90% silver, except nickels and pennies.

The coin's worth is determined by the rarity and the grade. Old silver dollars are worth a great premium right now, even well worn heavily circulated ones are bringing good premiums. Franklin and Kennedy half dollars, Washington quarters, Mercury and Roosevelt dimes are all worth many times the face value. While older types like Seated Liberty, Standing Liberties, and Barber coins are worth even more.

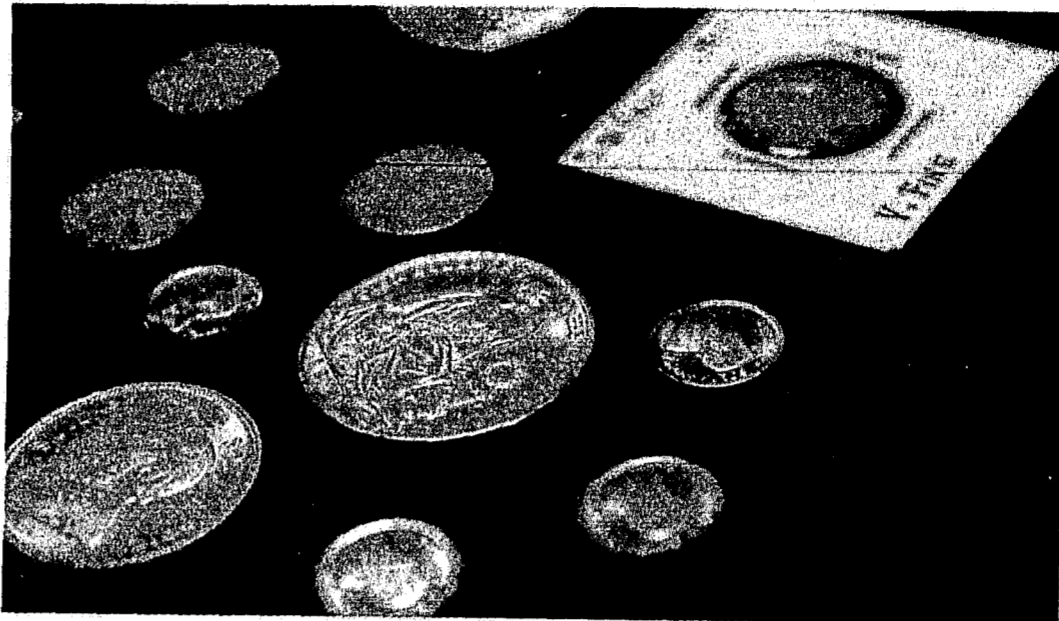
Gold coins are really worth a lot right now, according to Brian Eades of the International Collectors Association. "This country didn't start minting coins until 1792" says Eades. He explained, "Before that, people would trade goods using gold dust and nuggets. Some

shop keepers would take more gold than needed to pay for items purchased. There was no uniform system of making change."

The government opened the first mints and began distributing the coins in 1792. By the beginning of the 19th century, coins and paper currency were wide spread and our monetary system was here to stay. In 1933 Roosevelt required all banking institutions to turn in all gold coins. Once all banks turned in this gold, the president raised the gold standard from \$20.00 per ounce to \$33.00 per ounce. This was his way of stimulating the economy during the great depression. However, gold coins were never redistributed after the recall. But not all gold coins were turned in. "Many folks during that time didn't completely trust the government and chose to keep their gold" said Eades.

These gold coins are sought after by collectors today and bring many times the face value. Any gold coins with the mint marks of CC, D or O will bring nice premiums. Collectors at the event will be glad to show you where to look. Other types of coins will also be purchased including foreign coins, Indian cents, two cent pieces, half dimes, three cent pieces and buffalo nickels to name a few.

Collectors warn people against trying to clean their coins, as significant damage can be done and the coin's value lessened.



Above: "I'm glad I came in! I really needed the money," said Claudia McDonald, who received \$825 for a gold coin minted in 1986.

Dozens cash in yesterday with jewelry, railroad watches and guitars. An estimated \$200,000 in Gorham.

By David Morgan
STAFF WRITER

The first days of the 5 day reclamation drive in Gorham were a hit with those looking to sell their gold and silver coins. An estimated 55 people left the event with over \$200 from old class rings, wedding bands, herringbones and gold teeth. Coins dated 1964 and earlier were bringing big premiums as well. Silver dollars, halves and quarters arrived in large quantities. Lots of gold coins were also brought in.

On the other side of the room were representatives from the International Buyers Association. They were purchasing all types of guitars, large currency

bills dated before 1923, military items and pocket watches. One watch was purchased by a collector in Montana for \$835.00. There were piles of sterling silver items like old silverware sets and tea pots. Company officials reported spending over \$90,000 the first day of the event, alone. Brian Eades, with the Ohio Valley, said, "We have had an overwhelming turnout this first day, and we expect to get more busy every day this week." The event continues today and runs through Saturday. It is free and the public is encouraged to attend.

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LOCAL RESIDENTS ARE READY TO CASH IN! International buyers in town this week and ready to stimulate economy!

By David Morgan
STAFF WRITER

Hundreds of phone calls from local residents poured in to the corporate office of the Ohio Valley Gold and Silver Refinery this week—inquiring about items to be purchased by the team of buyers that is on site with OVGSR.

The team of buyers this week are purchasing a vast array of vintage items, along with the coins, gold jewelry and sterling silver items that the Refinery usually deals in. It is a local shot in the arm for our economy—the spokesperson for the event expects to spend in excess of \$200,000.00 this week at the Town & Country Inn, paying local residents on the spot. The spokesperson for the company has explained that these collectors are paying collector prices for the vintage items and it is great way for people to get a great value for their items.

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Community Calendar

Bethel Farmers Market open Saturdays through Oct. 9 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. rain or shine at Norway Savings Bank. FMI: 890-6859 or bethelfarmersmarket.com.

Every Tuesday and Wednesday
5:30 p.m. - Western Maine Velo Group Road Ride every Tuesday-Wednesday: 5:30 p.m.; meet at Bethel Bicycle, 53 Mayville Road, Bethel. Call ahead 824-0100 for route information and to make sure the ride is going on every evening. Rides of varying length 15 to 49 miles. Open to all riders.

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, thru July 19
Music Without Borders (International Piano Festival) at Gould Academy's McLaughlin Science Building's Trustees Auditorium. Free.

Sundays thru Labor Day
12 Noon to 6 p.m. - **Free Country, Bluegrass, gospel jam sessions** at Countryfolk Music Theatre, Route 2, East Dixfield. FMI: 645-4411.

Sundays thru July and August (except Aug. 21)
2 to 4 p.m. - **Open House** Finnish-American Heritage Center, 8 Maple Street, West Paris.
Harvest Gold Gallery, Route 5, Center Lovell, presents new series of paintings by French decent artist Pascale Judet. FMI: 925-6502 or visit www.harvestgoldgallery.com

Thru Sunday, July 10
11 a.m. - **Maine Wildlife Park**, Gray, presents "The Final Charge," display showing two bull moose with locked antlers. FMI: 557-0118 or visit www.mefishwildlife.com.

Thursday, July 7
Karen Montanaro, world-renowned mime dancer, will kick off Norway Arts Festival in Forum, Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School. FMI: Rajah Newell 890-0545.

4 p.m. - **Bethel Board of Appeals** meeting, Town Office, to consider draft Findings, Conclusions and Decision document regarding appeal of Planning Board decision regarding Site Plan Review application of Bruce A. Manzer, Inc. Open to public.

6 p.m. - **Art Moves Dance Project** dances made in Portland and Norway show in two free short sets at Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School Auditorium; second set 8:30 p.m. Admission free. FMI: 743-5569.

7:30 p.m. **Dan Moore: Musical Evening** at Brick Church for the Performing Arts, 502 Christian Hill Road, Lovell. \$10 adults; \$5 12 and under. Tickets at door. FMI: 925-6244 or www.lovellbrickchurch.org

Thursday, July 7
7 p.m. - **St. Kieran Arts Center**, 155 Emery Street, Berlin, N.H., presents master organist Susan Ferre. Tickets: \$12. FMI: (603) 752-1028.

8 p.m. - **Peter Boie: A Magician for Non-Believers** at Deertrees Theatre, Harrison. Family Fun Night. FMI/tickets: 583-6747, e-mail deertrees@usa.net, www.deertreestheatre.org.

Thursday, Friday, Saturday, July 7-9
- **Norway Arts Festival**, co-sponsored Western Maine Art Group and Norway Downtown. Main Street closed. Art shows, street dance, and much, much more. FMI: Lisa Moore 743-9808.

Friday, July 8
11 a.m. and 7 p.m. - **"Pinocchio"** played by National Marionette Theater at Fryeburg Academy's Leura Hill Eastman Performing Arts Center. Tickets: \$8 adults/\$4 students and children (no charge under 2). FMI/tickets: www.fryeburgacademy.org, box office 935-9232.

8 p.m. - **Don Campbell and Don Campbell Band** performance at Deertrees, Harrison. Tickets: \$22. FMI/tickets: 583-6747, e-mail deertrees@usa.net, www.deertreestheatre.org.

Friday and Saturday, July 8 and 9
4 to 7 p.m. (Fri.), 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. (Sat.) - **Book Sale** by Friends of Norway Memorial Library at Norway Grange Hall, Whitman Avenue. FMI: 743-5309.

4 to 9 p.m. - **Jeannette Belisle Gravel Memorial Yard Sale** at Upton House, Upton. Treasures, crafts, jewelry, clothes, art, tools, antiques, etc. FMI: 533-2061.

July 8-Aug. 7
Annual Source to the Sea Trek begins Lake Umbagog, continues in 19-day trips and ends in Brunswick. FMI/register: www.androscogginwatershed.org.

Saturday, July 9
9 a.m. to 4 p.m. - **Town and Country Inn**, 20 US Route 2, Gorham, N.H., features Ohio Valley Gold and Silver Refinery's traveling roadshow.

11 a.m. to 2 p.m. - **Maine Wildlife Park**, Gray, presents two professional chainsaw artists carving wildlife images. Bring camera and ear plugs. FMI: 557-0118 or visit www.mefishwildlife.com.

1 to 3 on - **Norway Arts Festival, Poets on the Porch**, Norway Library porch. FMI: Lisa Moore 743-9808.

Norway Arts Festival Free Art in annual Merchant Raffle Award (rain date: July 10). Drawing 2:30 p.m. (winners must be present).

5:30 to 6:30 p.m. - **Public Supper**, West Bethel Union Church. Adults \$7/under 12 \$3.

Variety Show POSTPONED to Fall (scheduled as fundraiser by Andover Food Pantry at Andover Congregational Church.

8 p.m. - **Celebration Barn Theater**, Route 117, Stock Farm Road, South Paris, presents The Early Evening Show. Doors open 7:30 p.m. Tickets: \$14 adults/\$12 seniors/\$8 students and kids. FMI or advance tickets: 743-8452 or visit www.CelebrationBarn.com.

8 p.m. - **Tom Paxton**, folk music legend and fun, topical songwriter, at Deertrees Theatre, Harrison. Tickets: \$35. FMI/tickets: 583-6747, e-mail deertrees@usa.net, www.deertreestheatre.org.

8 p.m. - **Dance** at Waterford World's Fair (Road Kingz). BYOB. \$10 p/p. FI: Lisa Scribner 890-7669.

Saturday and Sunday, July 9 and 10
9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Sat.) and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (Sun.) - **Western Maine Gem, Mineral and Jewelry Show** at Telstar Regional High School. FMI: Randy Withee 595-8346 or e-mail oxfordcountymineralandgemassoc@gmail.com, or visit www.oxfordcountymineralandgemassociatoin.blogspot.com

Saturdays, July 9, 16, 23, 30
7 to 9 p.m. - **Jones Dance Band**, South Paris Legion Hall, Church Street. Adults \$5. Lunch counter open.

July 9 thru July 31
Chinese-auction style summer raffle at St. Catherine of Sienna Church, Norway, sponsored by St. Catherine's Sodality. Tickets: Parish Office, 32 Paris Street, Norway, Elaine (743-2606) or Anne (739-9661), at church after mass.

Sunday, July 10
1 p.m. - **North Pond Sailing Association Regatta**. Free and open to all. FMI: 875-3726.

Monday, July 11
6:30 to 8:30 p.m. - **Socrates Cafe** meets at Waterford Library. Topic: "Does Wikileaks Play A Constructive Role In Society?" FMI: 583-2050.

Monday-Friday, July 11-15 and July 18-22
9 a.m. to 4 p.m. - **STEM - Health** camp at White Mountains Community College, 2020 Riverside Drive, Berlin, N.H., for students 6 thru 8. FMI: (603) 752-1113 ext 3062, or e-mail taalen@ccnh.edu

Tuesday, July 12
5 to 9:30 p.m. - **Supper/Dance** American Legion Hall, Locke Mills. Doors open 4 p.m. Music by Wally Jones Band. Adults \$10/children \$3.

Oxford County Republican Committee Picnic hosted by Bethel Republican Committee at Secretary Stan Howe's house (directly across from Bethel Inn) with 5:30 p.m. social hour and 6:30 p.m. picnic dinner followed by Maine Attorney General William J. Schneider's remarks. All OC Republicans invited to attend. FMI: 824-2291.

Tuesday, July 12 and Wednesday, July 13
Free OkoFEN Wood Pellet Boiler Training by Maine Energy Systems. FMI: 824-6749 or e-mail info@MaineEnergySystems.com, or visit www.MaineEnergySystems.comom

Tuesdays July 12 thru Aug. 9
7:30 p.m. - **Deertrees Theatre**, Harrison, chamber music by Sebago-Long Lake Music Festival. Tickets: \$20 (under 21 free), \$85 for the five concerts, available Box Office 583-6747, Cool Moose, Bridgton, The Country Sleigh, Naples, Books N Things, Norway, or online www.webagomusicfestival.org.

Wednesday, July 13
7:45 a.m. **Bethel Senior Citizens** trip to Augusta. Bus leaves 8 a.m. from Bethel Area Health Center.

Thursday, July 14
5:30 p.m. - **Public Supper** Albany Congregational Church, Hunts Corner Road. Adults \$7/12 and under \$4.

7:30 p.m. **Poetry Slam: Krista Mosaic and Guests** at Brick Church for the Performing Arts, 502 Christian Hill Road, Lovell. \$10 adults; \$5 12 and under. Tickets at door. FMI: 925-6244 or www.lovellbrickchurch.org.

8 p.m. - **Karen Morgan and Nancy Witter**, ladies night out comedy duo at Deertrees Theatre, Harrison. Tickets: \$18. FMI/tickets: 583-6747, e-mail deertrees@usa.net, www.deertreestheatre.org.

Friday, July 15
5 p.m. on - **Benefit Supper for George Brown** by Foster Carroll American Legion Post 72, South Paris Legion Hall, Church Street. Tickets: \$7 adults/\$3.50 12 and under. Advance tickets: 743-5723 (Marilyn Ramsay).

8 p.m. - **Paul Sullivan and Theresa Thomason**, jazz pianist and vocalist, at Deertrees Theatre, Harrison. Tickets: \$18. FMI/tickets: 583-6747, e-mail deertrees@usa.net, www.deertreestheatre.org.

New England Forest Rally at Sunday River. Final round of RallyCar National Championship Series. FMI: www.newenglandforestrally.com

Friday, Saturday, Sunday, July 15, 16, 17
Waterford World's Fair.

Saturday, July 16
7 to 10 a.m. - **Pancake Breakfast** at Bethel Masonic Lodge, Chapman Street. Cost: \$5/under 12 free. Proceeds support

Telstar Project Graduation.

8 a.m. to 2 p.m. - **Indoor Yard and Craft Sale**, Sabbathday Lake Grange, New Gloucester. Table rentals: \$10 for six-foot table. Handicap accessible. FMI or table rental: e-mail Steven at Granger04071@aol.com or call Norma 998-2586 by July 14.

10 a.m. - **Mollycokett Days Parade**, Theme: "Our River Runs Through." FMI: 824-2282, info@bethelmaine.com, www.bethelmaine.com.

10 a.m. to 5 p.m. - **Barn Fest and Barn's Birthday Party** (8 p.m.) at **Celebration Barn Theater**, Route 117, Stock Farm Road, South Paris. Tickets (full-day): \$10 adults/\$5 students and kids - Birthday Party: \$14 adults, \$12 seniors, \$8. FMI or advance tickets: 743-8452 or visit www.CelebrationBarn.com.

8 p.m. - **Dance** at Waterford World's Fair (The After Burner). BYOB. \$10 p/p. FI: Lisa Scribner 890-7669.

At dusk - **Mollycokett Days Fireworks**. Donations grateful. FMI: 824-2282.

Saturday and Sunday, July 16-17
Mollycokett Days in Bethel. For complete schedule: www.mollycokettdays.com. FMI: 824-2282.
30th Reunion Weekend, Telstar's Class of 1981 - Saturday 1 to 8 p.m. at Big Adventure Center, Bethel and Sunday, Scenic Cruise on Casco Bay Lines. FMI: 890-2991 (Michele).

Sunday, July 17
1 p.m. - **North Pond Sailing Association Regatta**. Free and open to all. FMI: 875-3726.

Thursday, July 21
1 p.m. - **Sebago-Long Lake Music Festival** "Discover the Joys of Live Music" presentation at Oxford Hills High School, South Paris. Tickets: \$2/\$4, LOOK participants/families free.
7 p.m. - **St. Kieran Community Arts Center**, 155 Emery Street, Berlin, N.H., presents late John Lennon's music performed by The Nu-Utopians seven-piece ensemble. Tickets: \$12 adults/\$6 students. FMI: (603) 752-1028 or www.stkieranarts.org

Saturday, July 23
8 p.m. - **Celebration Barn Theater**, Route 117, Stock Farm Road, South Paris, presents Daniel Stein in "Timepiece." Doors open 7:30 p.m. Tickets: \$14 adults/\$12 seniors/\$8 students and kids. FMI or advance tickets: 743-8452 or visit www.CelebrationBarn.com.

Sunday, July 24
1 p.m. - **North Pond Sailing Association Regatta**. Free and open to all. FMI: 875-3726.

Thursday, July 28
5:30 p.m. - **Public Supper** Albany Congregational Church, Hunts Corner Road. Adults \$7/12 and under \$4.

Saturday, July 30
Annual Rangeley Logging Festival and Parade. Vendors welcome. Call Tom or Carol Sullivan, 864-3640 or carol@foxrunstudios.com for vendor's application. Deadline: July 20.

Saturday, July 30
Summer Book Sale at West Paris Library, 23 Main Street. Needed: new/gently used books, books-on-tape, DVDs and CDs. No dictionaries, Readers Digests, text books. FMI: 674-2004.

Sunday, July 31
10 a.m. to 2 p.m. - **Open House** at Waterford Library. Light lunch available to purchase. FMI: 583-2050.

1 p.m. - **North Pond Sailing Association Regatta**. Free and open to all. FMI: 875-3726.

Thursday, Aug. 4
7:30 p.m. - **Maine Pro Musica Symphony** at Fryeburg Academy's Leura Hill Eastman Performing Arts Center. Tickets: \$25 adults/\$20 seniors (65+)/\$15 students. FMI/tickets: www.fryeburgacademy.org, box office 935-9232.

Friday and Saturday, Aug. 5 and 6
7:30 p.m. - **The Everyman Repertory Theatre** performs two performances of Alfred Hitchcock's "The 39 Steps" at Fryeburg Academy's Leura Hill Eastman Performing Arts Center. Tickets: \$20 adults/\$15 seniors (65+)/\$10 students. FMI/tickets: www.fryeburgacademy.org, box office 935-9232.

Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Aug. 5-7
Maine's First Ever Comedy Arts Festival and golf tournament at Bethel Inn to benefit Make A Wish Foundation. FMI: (800) 654-0125.

Saturday, Aug. 6
8 p.m. - **Dance** at Waterford World's Fair (Monsta). BYOB. \$10 p/p. FI: Lisa Scribner 890-7669.

Sunday, Aug. 7
1 p.m. - **North Pond Sailing Association Regatta**. Free and open to all. FMI: 875-3726.

Saturday, Aug. 13
8 a.m. to 8 p.m. - **NRA-NMLRA Basic Pistol, Rifle and Shotgun Muzzleloading Shooting Course**. \$100 per person at Pooh Corner Farm Greenhouse and Florist, Bethel.

Sunday, Aug. 14
1 p.m. - **North Pond Sailing Association Regatta**. Free and open to all. FMI: 875-3726. (Rain Date)

SUPPORT SERVICES

ABUSED WOMEN'S ADVOCACY PROJECT
AWAP serves all of Oxford County and provides emergency shelter, court advocacy and support groups with child care. Rumford office 369-0750; Norway office 743-5086; 24 hour hotline 1-800-559-2927

REACH
Rape Education and Crisis Hotline 1-800-871-7741. Sexual assault/sexual abuse hotline, same number. Support groups and awareness education, past or present victims of abuse.

AA MEETINGS/ADDICTION HELP
Bethel Freedom Group. Open Discussion Meeting. Saturdays at 4:30 in the Snow Cap Inn conference room, next to the fitness room. Sunday River. Seasonal, Thanksgiving through April 1. Big Book Meeting Sundays at 6 p.m. at the United Methodist Church, Main Street. 12 Step/Traditions Meeting Tuesdays at 6pm at the United Methodist Church, Main Street. Open Discussion Meeting Fridays at 6pm at Bethel United Methodist Church, Main Street.
People in recovery from alcohol/drug addiction may need to move to a Next Step group. Open to everyone who feels they may benefit from a change. FMI: Laurence Austin at 824-4077 (calls confidential)
Adult Children of Alcoholics and Dysfunctional Families

(ACOA or ACA) meeting at Waterford Library (Route 37 across from the Commons) Thursdays, 10 to 11 a.m. All welcome. FMI call 739-9115.

CANCER WELLNESS
Support and Education for cancer patients, survivors and caregivers. Every Thursday, 1:30-3 p.m. Rumford Hospital, Room 357. (877) 336-7287. Call to confirm during stormy weather.

EXCHANGES
District Exchange Community Thrift Shop accepts donations of in-season clothing in clean, wearable condition only. Drop-off hours and shopping: Monday 1-4 pm, Thursday 4-6 p.m. and Saturday, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

HELP FOR THE HOMELESS
Rumford Group Homes, Inc. operates three homeless shelters, a transitional living program for youth 18-21, homeless youth outreach and case management services for adults and children. Emergency shelter includes the South Paris Men's Shelter, the Norway Family Center for women and children in crisis, and our Rumford Family Center in Rumford for families. To make a referral or request help in the South Paris area, call 743-6363 or call 869-9439 for help in the Rumford area M-F 9 a.m.-5 p.m. For more information on Rumford Group Homes, Inc. call 364-3551 or visit www.rumfordgrouphomes.org.

MENTAL ILLNESS

Beacon House Social Club, 150 Congress Street, Rumford, a drop-in social club for adults suffering with mental, emotional, or physical illness, provides support, relaxation, and socialization. Monday 1 to 5 p.m.; Tuesday 9 a.m.-2 p.m.; Wednesday 9 a.m.-8 p.m.; Wednesday 3-8 p.m.; Friday 2-7 p.m.; Saturday 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Oxford County Mental Health Services, support for adults and children with mental illness, same location, second floor, open Monday-Friday 8 a.m.-4 p.m. For more information, call 364-3549 or (800) 335-9999, or in off-hours 928-3222.

VETERANS' SERVICES

Maine Veterans Home, S. Paris, Veterans' Advocate visits first and third Wednesday each month, 9-12 noon (743-6300); Rumford 9-12 noon second Thursday at VA Clinic at 431 Franklin St. (369-3272). Maine Veterans' Services is located at 29 Westminster St., Lewiston (783-5306). (No visits in July)

MULTIPLE SERVICES

Community Concepts provides Oxford County Head Start, childcare, free rides to Maine Care appointments, subsidized apartments (Bethel, Brownfield, Fryeburg, Norway, Rumford, South Paris), affordable home-ownership opportunities, homeless shelter and assistance with home heating or weatherizing. FMI: call (800) 866-5588 or visit www.community-concepts.org.

LIBRARY HOURS

Andover Library:
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Story Hour Mondays, 10-11 am October to May. Tel: 824-2520.

Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond:
Tel: 665-2505. Tuesday 1:30-5; Thursday 1:30-7.

West Paris Library,
West Paris: Monday 1:30-6; Wednesday 1:30-7; Friday 1:30-6; Saturday 10-2.
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Gardner Roberts Memorial Library,
Hanover: Wednesday, 9-3; Thursday, 5-8; Saturday, 9-noon.

Calendar items
may be brought to the Citizen office, e-mailed to news@bethelcitizen.com or faxed 824-2426
DEADLINE IS MONDAY AT NOON

REACH to offer women's support group

Beginning in September, REACH, the sexual assault center serving Oxford county, Harrison and Bridgton, will begin a support group for women who have experienced sexual assault - whether as children or adults, recently or in the past.

The group will meet weekly in the Rumford area for 20 weeks, at no cost. The dates and time of the meetings will be based on the availability of participants.

The group uses the book "The Courage to Heal," by Laura Davis, as a basis for discussions.

Making the choice to talk with others who also have gone through the trauma of sexual assault is not an easy decision.

Sometimes survivors don't realize the extent to which sexual assault has impacted their lives until they start putting the pieces together with

the help of a support group. Often survivors of sexual assault blame themselves in some way, feel ashamed to say anything, have been threatened to remain silent, or think they won't be believed.

The result can be silence, which may result in depression, anxiety, fear, ongoing flashbacks, difficulty trusting others, alcohol and drug abuse, sleeping problems, self-harm and misdirected anger.

Many survivors of sexual assault who have participated in REACH support groups note that it was a significant positive step toward taking their life back and moving toward healing.

One survivor said, "To look into the eyes of others who understand what it means to be sexually assaulted, to be believed, share one another's pain, and growth, ask questions, and be given options to grow and heal is a life-changing experience."

If you or someone you know is interested in becoming part of the new women's support group, please contact the REACH office, 743-9777.

REACH staff will meet one to

one in July and August with women interested in learning more about this support group.

REACH has been serving Oxford County and the towns of Bridgton and Harrison since 1982, offering crisis intervention and support services to victims and survivors, and concerned others, ranging from one-to-one support, to support groups.

Services are free and confidential. REACH staffs a 24-hour sexual assault help line (800) 871-7741 for Oxford County; (800) 213-6937 for the towns of Bridgton and Harrison, which is available to individuals who have been sexually assaulted recently, or some time in the past.

Advocates can also accompany sexual assault victims to the hospital and provide support to a victim and family through the legal process. Trained REACH Educators offer age-appropriate safety programs for students in elementary through high school, and community education; REACH also has a lending library on site.

Dean's list

UNIVERSITY OF MAINE

-MACHIAS

Area residents named to dean's list at University of Maine Machias are Suzanne Dunham, Greenwood and Daniel Glover III, Rumford.

SIMMONS COLLEGE

Margaret dePasquale of Greenwood was named to the 2011 spring semester dean's list at Simmons College, Boston. Her major is Environmental Science.

NORWICH UNIVERSITY

Kevin Gallagher of Bryant Pond was named to the Norwich University dean's list for the spring 2011 semester.



TAR WARS WINNER
Lilo Bean, a fourth grader at Crescent Park School, stands with her new bicycle and helmet she won as the 1st place winner of the regional Tar Wars Poster Contest. Lilo's poster was chosen out of more than 200 to have the best slogan: "If you want our world to be a better place, don't smoke in any space". Tar Wars is a tobacco-free education program from the American Academy of Family Physicians and is sponsored by the River Valley Healthy Communities Coalition and doctors from Rumford Hospital in this area. Tar Wars is funded by the Fund for a Healthy Maine.

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Church Services

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Congregational Church - Hunts Corner, 9:30a.m. Sunday worship and Sunday School at 9am; Pastor Eddie Gammon. Bible Study 6:30 Thursdays at the home of Fernand Corriveau.

ANDOVER

First Congregational Church - Rev. Jane Rich. Sunday morning worship 10 to 11 a.m. followed by brunch. All welcome. FMI - 392-3761.

Calvary Bible Church - Pastor Ken Wagstaff. Morning worship 10:45 - noon. Wednesday prayer meeting, 6:30 p.m. Rt. 5, South Andover. 392-1121.

BETHEL

Bethel Alliance Church - Rev. Kevin Bellinger, Pastor: Jim Rose, Youth Pastor. Sundays: Sunday school for adults and children at 9 a.m.; Worship Service at 10 a.m.; Kidz Klub (4 yrs.-5th grade) and High School Youth Group (9th-12th grade) at 5:30 p.m. Thursdays: Middle School Youth Group (6th-8th grade) at 5 p.m. For more information, call 824-2289.

Bethel Church of the Nazarene - Rev. Chuck Mason, 16 Church Street, Bethel. Sunday School, 9:30 a.m. A.M. Worship, 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Bible Study and Prayer, 6 p.m. For information or if you need a ride or have a prayer request: 824-4028.

Roman Catholic Church of the Holy Saviour, Our Lady of the Snows - 265 Walkers Mills Road (Rt. 26), The Rev. Philip Tracy. Saturday Mass, 6 p.m. Office 364-4556, announcements 824-

2933.

Episcopal House Church - Third Sunday of the month, 4 p.m. For details: 824-3932

West Parish Congregational - Church Street, Rev. Virginia Rickeman, Pastor. Sundays: 10 a.m. worship and Sunday School. Nursery and child care provided. Tuesdays: 8 a.m., informal Prayer Group with coffee in the Chapel. All are welcome. First Wednesday of the month: 8 a.m., Mens' Breakfast in the Dining Room downstairs. Entrance in rear of church. Thursdays: 7 p.m. Choir Practice in the Sanctuary. New voices welcome. FMI: 824-2689; 824-0550.

United Methodist - Carol Stevens, Pastor. 9 a.m. Sunday Worship. Bible Study, 1 p.m. Wednesday. FMI: 824-0797.

West Bethel Union - Morning worship and 9 a.m. Sunday School. For information, call 836-3533 or 836-2882. Rev. John Williams.

Pleasant Valley Bible - Pastor Aaron McNally. Sunday Services: Sunday School, 9am; Worship Service, 10am; Ladies Bible study Tuesday, 2:30pm; Small group Bible study, Tuesday 6pm; Awana Club (3-6 grades), Sunday 5-7 pm. FMI 836-3006 or 824-2037.

Church of Christ - at home of Keith Hamel, minister, 507 Walker's Mills Road (Route 26), Bethel. Sunday: Bible class, 9 a.m.; Worship Service 10 a.m. Wednesday: Bible study, 7 p.m.. 824-3577 FMI.

Seventh Day Adventist Fellowship - Meets at the Nazarene Church on Saturdays, on Church Street in Bethel. Sabbath

School 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m. For more info, call 824-8939.

Church of the White Cloud Outreach Healing Ministries-Mail Blessings Study Course; phone requests prayerline. Rev. Paula Ewing 824-2782. Jesus is a Friend.

EAST STONEHAM

Oxford County United Parish Churches in Stoneham and North Waterford - Services at 10 a.m. at the North Waterford Congregational Church (UCC), located on the Five Kezars Road, off Routes 35 & 37, opposite Melby's Market. Services held at North Waterford through the winter months. Choir practice 9am, followed by Bible Study at 9:15 a.m.

GORHAM, NH

Assembly of God - Pastor Paul LeVigen. Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday service 10:30 a.m., Sunday evening service 7 p.m., Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m. FMI 603-466-2851.

Gorham Congregational Church - Interim minister Rev. Kent Schneider. Sunday morning worship, 10 a.m. All welcome; free coffee. Communion is celebrated the first Sunday of each month. FMI 603-466-2136.

LOCKE MILLS

Locke Mills Union - Pastor Sondra Withey. Sunday morning service will begin at 9 a.m. Bible study at the church is every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

NORWAY/PARIS

First Church of Christ, Scientist - Sunday service 10 a.m., Wed.

Testimony service 7:30 p.m. 5 Morrill Rd/Rt. 118 (catercorner to Norway Country Club), Norway. Call 824.4099 FMI or ride.

Trinity Lutheran Church - Route 117, S. Paris. Pastors Kim Marie and Tom Myhre. Sunday School at 9am; Sunday morning service 10:15 a.m. with coffee, refreshments and good fellowship. Bible Study, Wednesdays 7 p.m.

North Paris Federation - Morse Hill Road, North Paris. Sunday Service 8 a.m.. Pastor Bruce Tyner. 674-2968. Singers perform third Sunday each month alternating with West Paris Baptist Church at 7 p.m..

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Christ Episcopal Church - 35 Paris St., Sunday Services 9 a.m., June-Aug. ; Sunday School at 10 a.m. Informal worship at 5 p.m. Sundays. Healing service with communion 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday. Rev. Anne Stanley. Call 743-6782 for more info.

First Baptist Church of Paris - On the Common at the top of Paris Hill. 10:30 am worship service. Sunday School at 9:30 a.m.

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St. Catherine's - Saturday 6 p.m. Vigile Mass; Sunday 8:30 a.m. Mass. **Unitarian Universalist Church of Norway** - 11am worship. (Sept - June) Child care is provided. Religious education classes 11am-12:15pm. FMI 743-2828.

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WOODSTOCK

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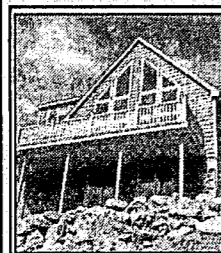
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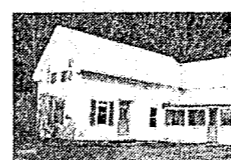
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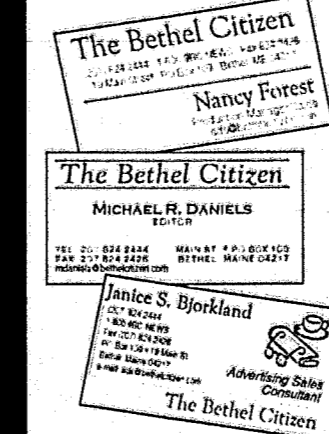
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Obituaries

EARLE A. PALMER JR.

Earle A. Palmer Jr., 88, of Norway, passed away on Friday, July 1, 2011 at his home. Earle was born Sept. 7, 1922, in Portland, to Earle A. Palmer Sr. and Helen Bradbury Palmer. He attended schools in Portland and Bethel; graduating from Gould Academy, Class of 1940. He married Edwina Mann on Sept. 13, 1941, at the Universalist Church in West Paris, where they made their home and raised their three children.

Following their marriage, Earle went to work in the Mann family woodturning business there in West Paris. Upon the death of Edwin J. Mann (Edwina's father) a corporation was formed with Earle elected as the president and manager, with Edwina serving as the vice president. Earle also served as a director of the Woodturners Association office in Boston, Mass.

For many years, he served on the budget committees for the towns of Paris and West Paris. He was a cooperator and trustee of the South Paris Savings Bank. He served as a director of the Norway National Bank (now Key Bank),

and was a trustee of Stephens Memorial Hospital during the 1950s.

He was a member of Mason Granite Lodge of West Paris and a member of and past Noble Grand of 100F West Paris. He was a past president of the Norway Paris Kiwanis Club. Earle was a member of the Universalist Church in West Paris, the Congregational Church in Norway, and an associate member of the Rangeley Congregational Church, and the Stuart Congregational Church in Stuart, Fla.

Earle liked to fish and hunt as well as time spent traveling with his wife, Edwina, to many countries.

He is survived by their children, a son, Earle E. Palmer and his wife Carolyn of West Paris; two daughters, Shariene MacFawn and her husband Warren of Peru and Carolee Bryant of Richmond, Va.; seven grandchildren, Cheryl Smith, Cathy Gregoire and husband Robert, Robert Palmer and his wife Lisa, Christopher Palmer and his wife Bobbi-Jean, Brian MacFawn and his wife Sheena, Kerry Gardner and her husband Ryan, Aaron MacFawn and his wife Alison; 15 great-grandchildren; and a sister, Janet Owen.

Earle was predeceased by his wife, Edwina, June 20, 2006.

Online condolences may be shared with the family at www.chandlerfunerals.com.

Graveside services will be held Friday, July 8, at 11 a.m. Wayside Cemetery, West Paris. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the West Paris Library, 226, Main Street, West Paris, ME 04289.

THOMAS JAMES BULGER

Thomas James Bulger, Rumford, passed away July 2, 2011 on the 64th anniversary of his birth, the son of George A. and Marguerite E. (Coombs) Bulger, he was born on July 2, 1947, at Brunswick. Except for a brief period when he lived in Toledo, Ohio, he was a resident of Rumford all of his life. Tom was a machinist by trade. He was an avid outdoorsman and hunter. He was a member of Elks Lodge No. 862, American Legion Post No. 24, and Eagles Aerie No. 1248, as well as the Dixfield Sportsmen's Club, where he served as a safe hunting instructor.

He is survived by a daughter, Jacquelyn Elaine Child and husband Gary of Peru; a granddaughter, Katie Child of Peru; a sister, Martha O'Leary and husband R. Daniel of Andover; three brothers, David and wife Eleanor of Cornwall, PEI, Stephen and wife Debbie of Center Strafford, N.H., and Timothy and wife Nanette of Lee, N.H.; and many nieces and nephews.

You are invited to share your thoughts, condolences, and fond memories with the Bulger family by visiting their guest book at www.SGT-HibaultFuneralHome.com.

Visiting hours will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday, July 8, at the S.G. Tibault Funeral Home & Cremation Services, 250 Penobscot Street, Rumford, with visitation by the Elks at 6:15 p.m. A memorial service will follow at 7 p.m. Private interment will be in Demeritt Cemetery. Donations may be made to the Junior Rifle Program, c/o the Webb River Sportsmen's Club, P.O. Box 351, Dixfield, ME 04224.

Engagements



Hamilton - Bresette

Andrew and Angela Bresette of Hanover announce the engagement of their son, Andrew Bresette, Jr., to Erin Hamilton, daughter of Robert Hamilton and the late Trudy Sjosrom Hamilton of South Paris.

Mr. Bresette graduated from Mountain Valley High School. He is employed at Sunday River Ski Resort and is also self-employed as a painter.

Miss Hamilton graduated from Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School and Central Maine Community College. She is employed as a Mass Communications Specialist with the U.S. Navy.

No date has been set for the wedding as of yet.

Births

Jennifer Conant and Todd Piper of Mexico are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby girl, Alana Lynn Piper, born on June 13, 2011 at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 8 pounds, 1 ounce.

Maternal grandparents are Jamie and Rodney Learned of Andover.

Paternal grandparent is Gloria Piper of Dixfield.

Brittany Barrett and Devin Valenzuela of South Paris are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby boy, Julian Barrett-Valenzuela, born on June 18, 2011 at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 7 pounds, 7 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Steven and Carole Barrett of South Paris.

Paternal grandparents are Dolsie Bragg and Emilio Valenzuela of Sumner.

Lindsay and Kevin Butler of Katy, Texas, are proud to announce the arrival of a baby girl, Carly Addison Butler, born June 8, 2011, weighing 9 pounds, 3 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Hal and Peggy (Harrington) Fournier of Windham and Newry, Maine.

Paternal grandparents are Roy and Kay Butler of Hemp Hill, Texas.

CLUKEY SERVICE

A private memorial service was held at the Bethel Airport for Harold Clukey. Harold spent many happy days at his hangar with his many friends. He passed away on Dec. 14, 2010. His wife Violet and his sons, John, David, Roland and Nathan Clukey and his friends Randy and Don attended. Pastor Holliday led the group in prayers.

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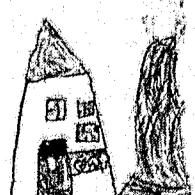
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